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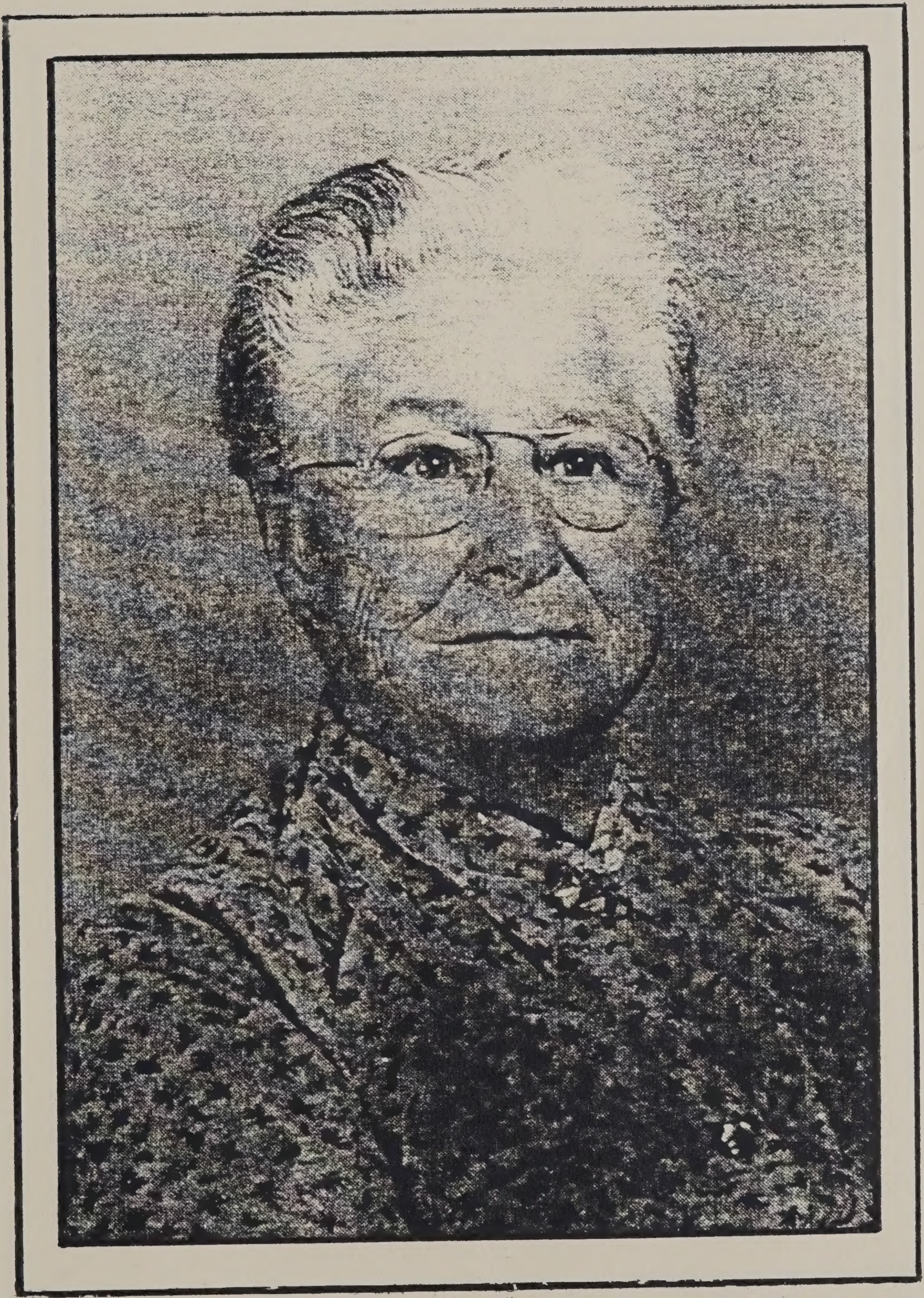

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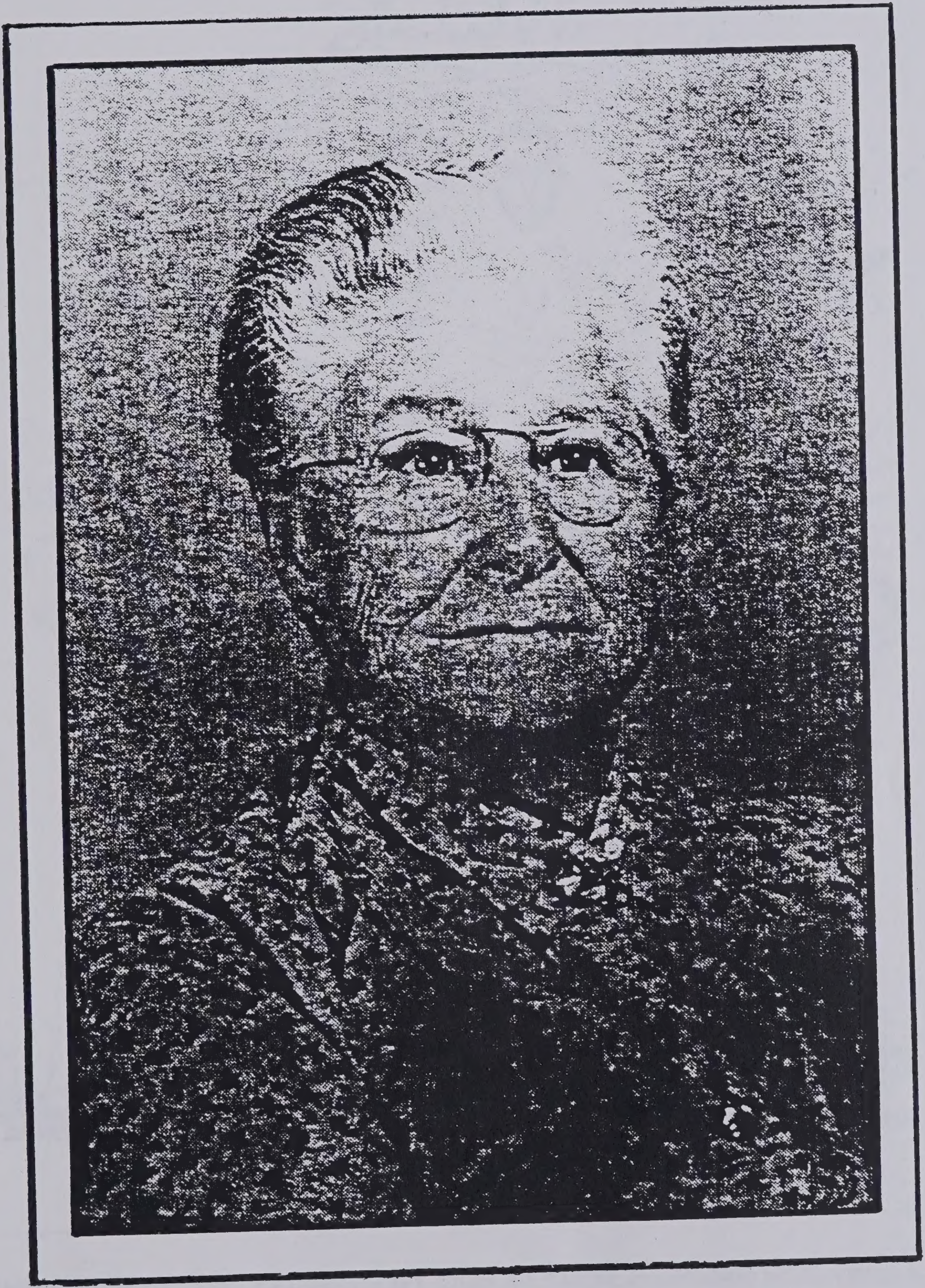

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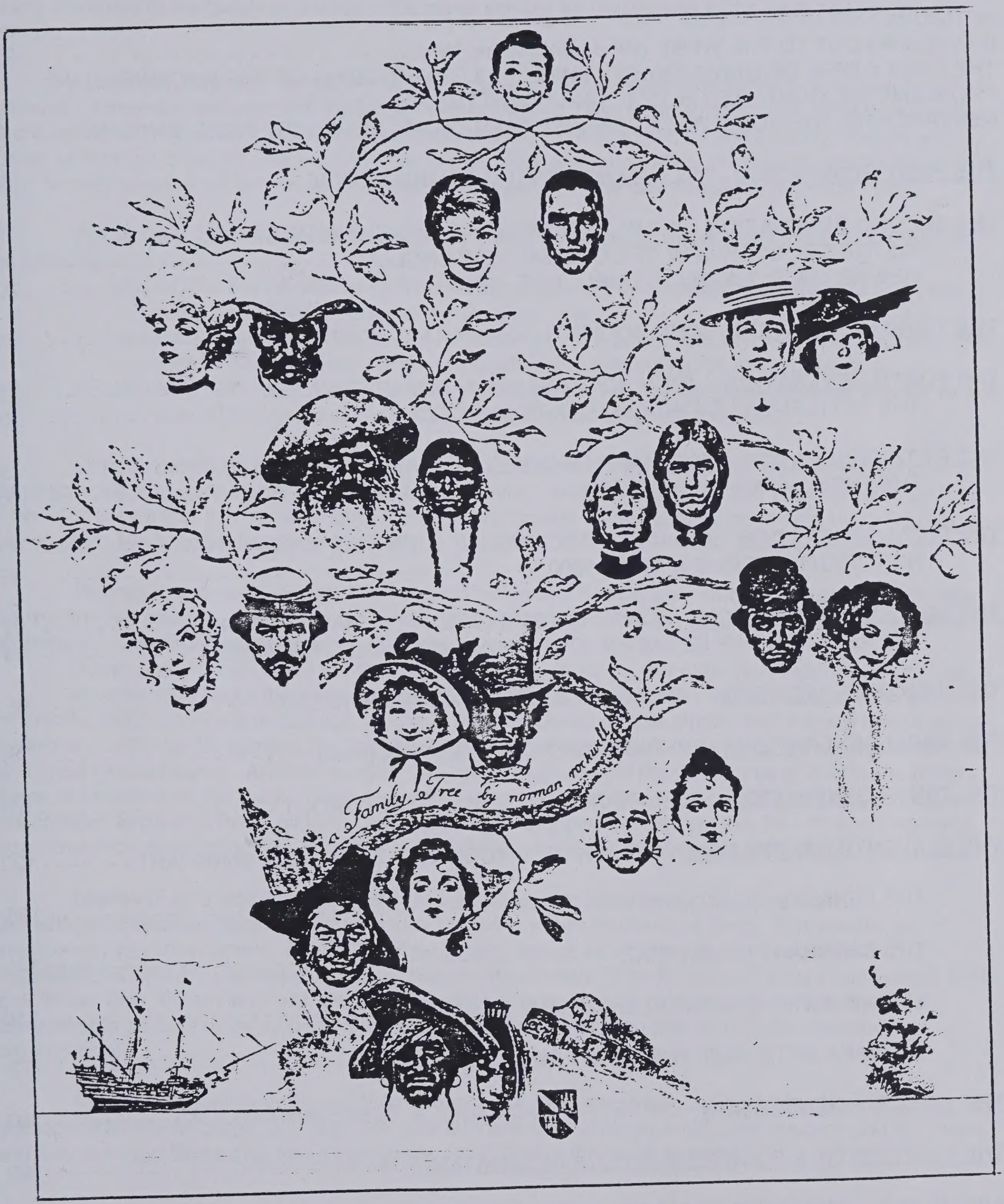
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THE ORIGINAL OIL PAINTING BY OUR COUSIN, NORMAN ROCKWELL, WHICH APPEARED ON THE COVER OF THE SATURDAY EVENING POST ON OCTOBER 24, 1959.

Norman's family connection may be found on pages 40 & 41.

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INTRODUCTION

About 40 years ago, I became interested in tracing the family history through stories about the early members of the family as the carved a home and life for themselves in the early history of our nation.

Linnie Fay Rockwell Shook, my mother-in-law, knew little about the family beyond her own parents. To me this presented a challenge: find out where these people came from, what their names were and what they accomplished. I knew if this task was not assumed by some family member every other generation or so, as time went by, it would be more and more difficult to reconstruct the family tree. Our "kinfolk" would then lie forever unknown and forgotten in the dusty pages of America's past.

About 1966, I tackled the Rockwell family line and started accumulating information. This has resulted in:

--- July, 1970: - the 1st edition of "The Family of Linnie Fay Rockwell" consisting of 108 pages going back 5 generations in the Rockwell line.

--- September, 1994 - the 2nd edition, consisting of 174 pages and extending the Rockwell line back to 13 generations and adding additional information of related families.

---- January, 1999 - this, the 3rd edition of 225 pages, that "up-dates" all the lines with the results of another 4 years of research; a total of about 32 years of "snoopin".

Over the years, I have had a lot of help and assistance from various family members and organizations who were interested in their family "roots". Without their help, this booklet would be less than 1/2 the size that it is. I have noted many of their names in the sections pertaining to their family or generation. My heartfelt thanks to them all!

Regrettably, over the years, I lost contact with many fine persons who helped accumulate data for the first two editions. Some moved, some have passed on. This set of circumstances reinforces a statement I have heard many times:

> "Gosh, I wish I had taken the time, back then, to talk to" - (our older relatives) - "and get their recollections about the early days,. Now they are gone and those stories are lost forever."

Hopefully, this booklet will encourage all family members to do a "little diggin" and make a record of the events and attitudes for some of the "older generation", for the benefit of all our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Another suggestion:- go through the old family pictures and write the names, dates, & locations on the back. "I know who they are" is correct for us today, but when we pass on, will our children know who these pictures represent? We "dropped the ball" on this 30 - 40 years ago and now have pictures of folks from back in the early 1900s, but have no idea who they are!

Copies of all 3 editions have been distributed to interested family members and genealogical/historical libraries in the various locations where the families lived. This booklet is intentionally not copyrighted. Please feel free to copy any or all of it for any family members or organizations who are interested in family history! Incidentally, "The Rockwell Family Foundation", 5859 East Miller Way, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301, publishes quarterly newsletters and have compiled a considerable amount of data on the many Rockwell family lines; you may wish to join this fine organization!

My wife, Marjorie Ann Shook, Linnie Rockwell's daughter, and I, our 4 children and 6 grandchildren are on pages 202 and 203. We all thank you all for your help and support over the years, and may our Lord Bless You And Your Family, today and in the years to come!

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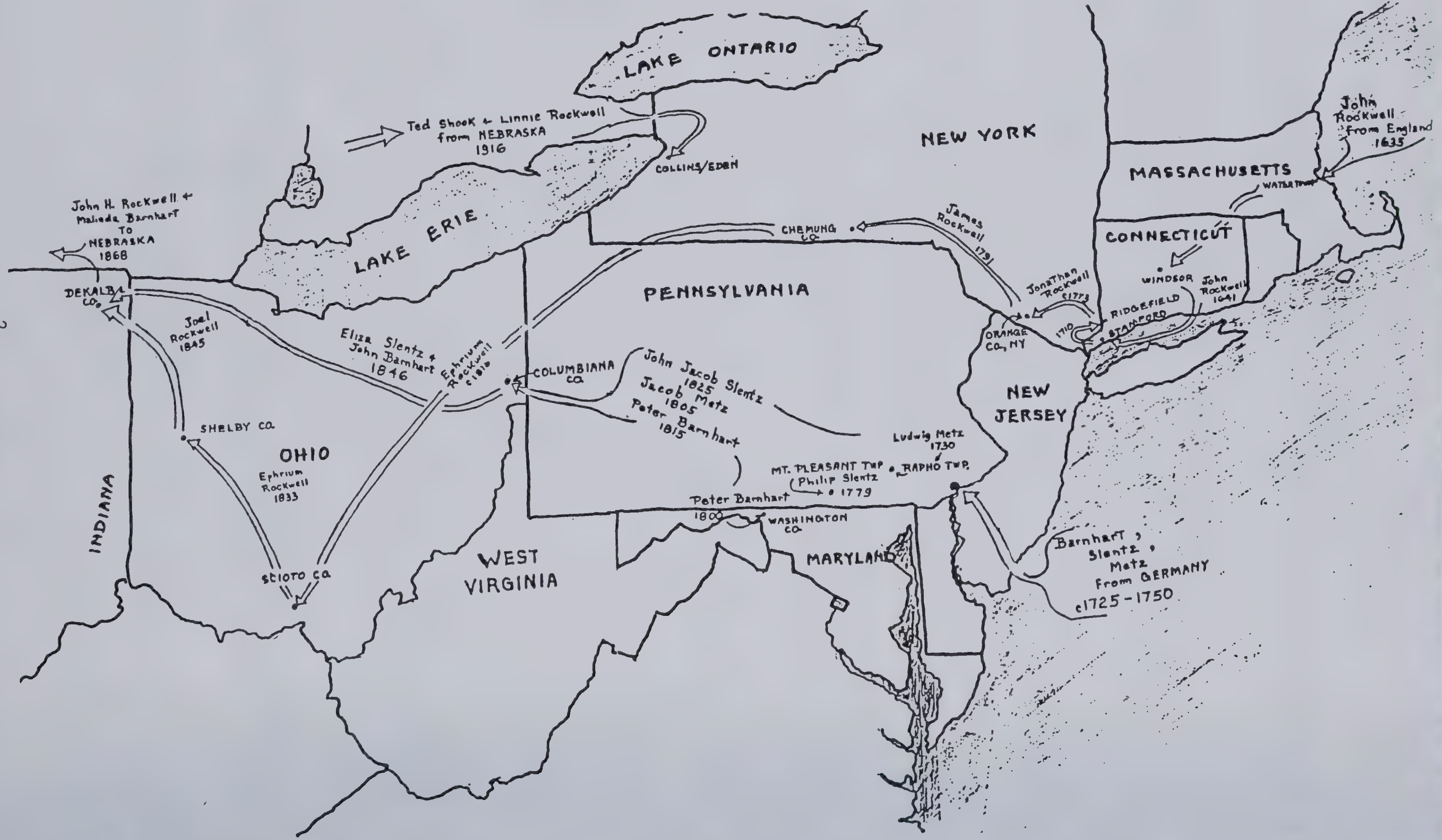
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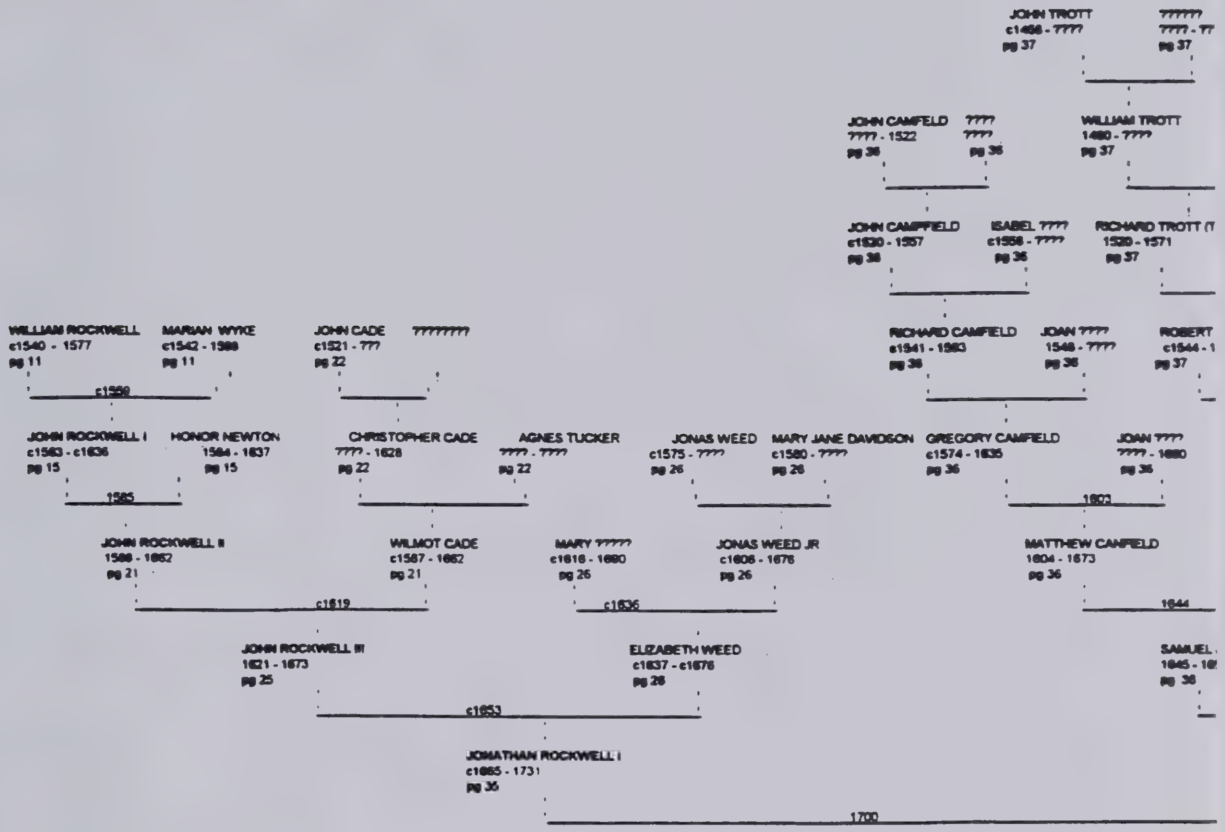
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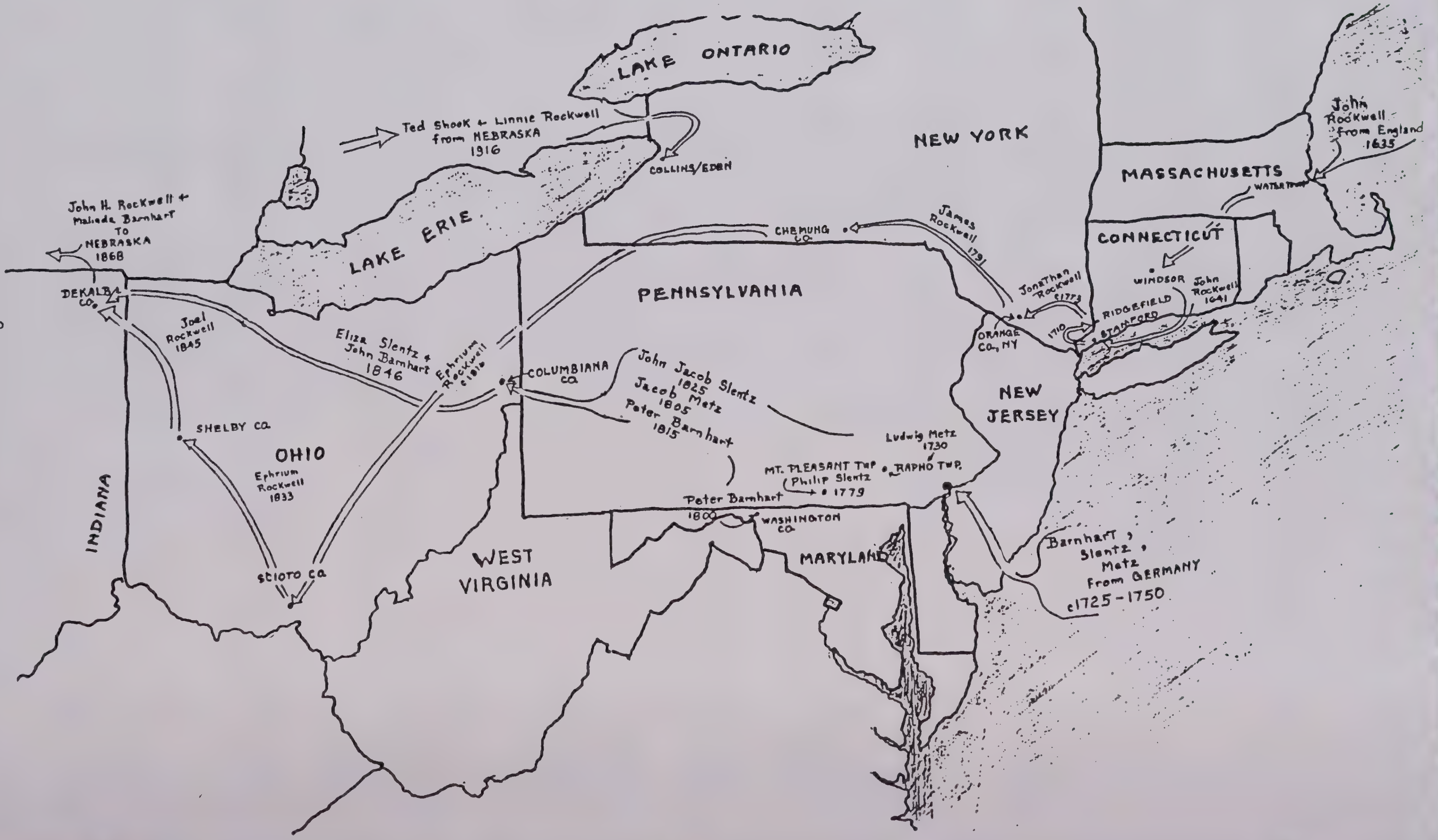
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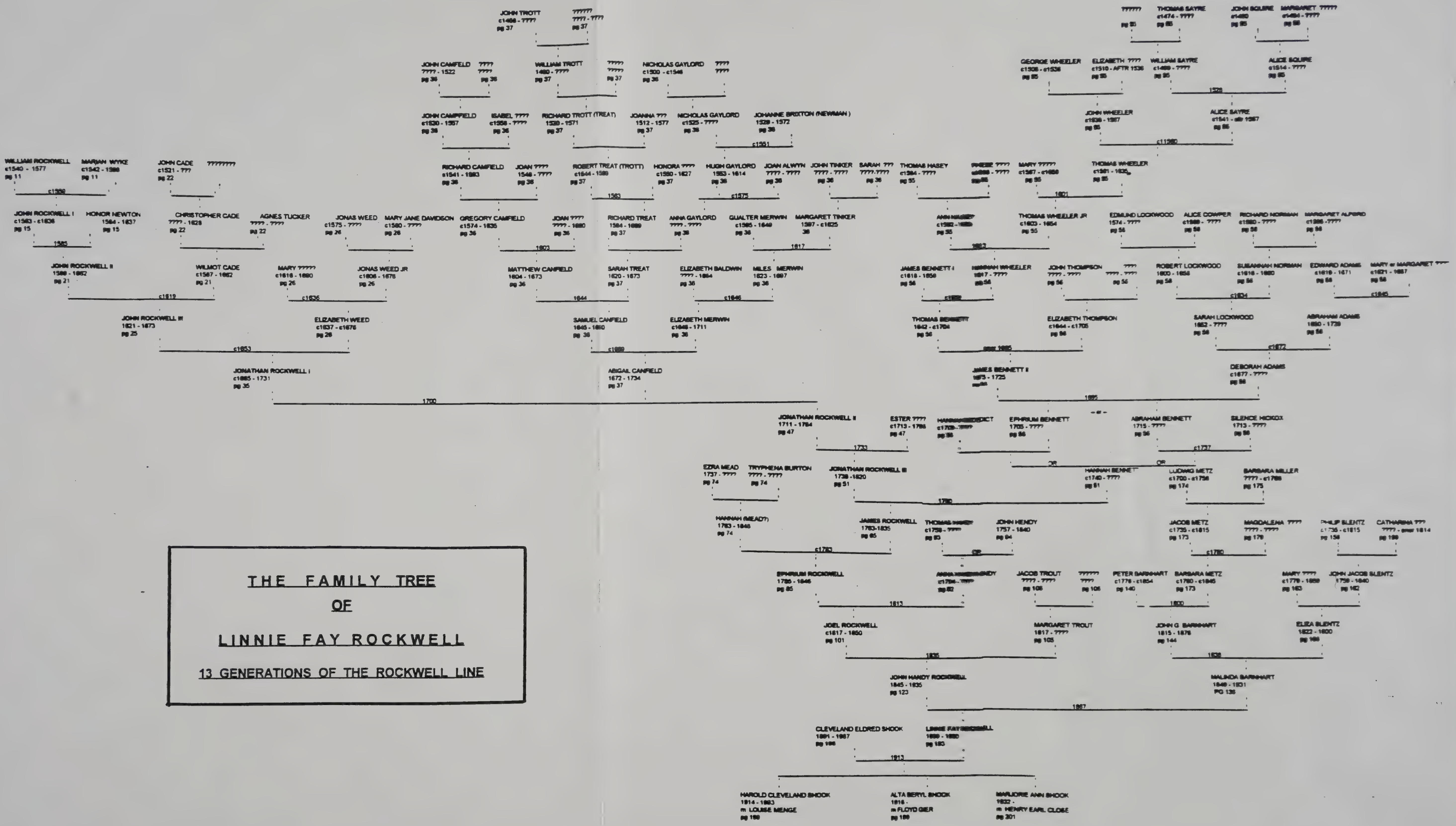
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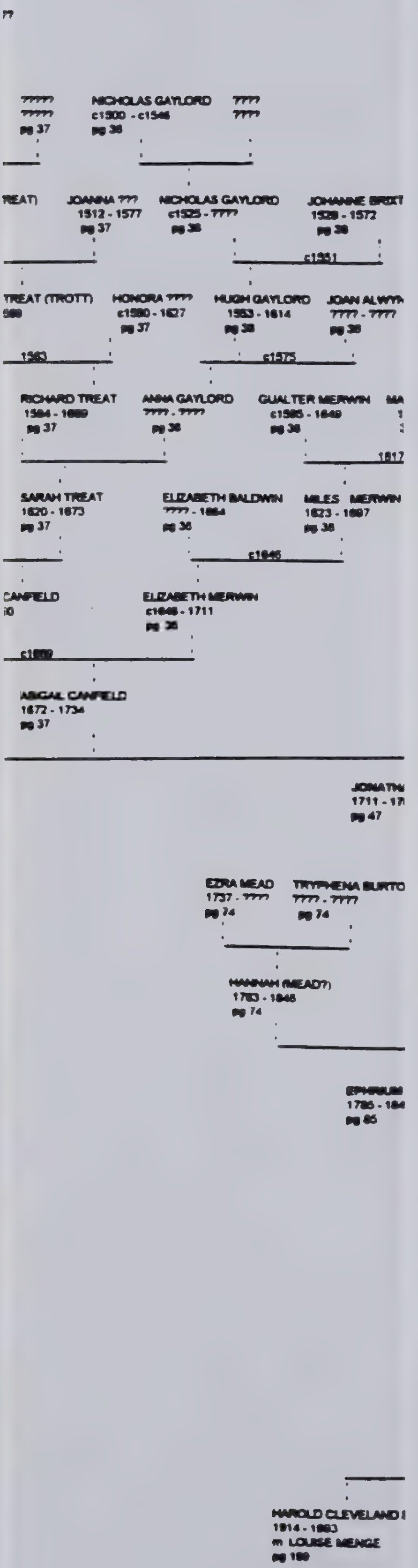
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PROBLEMS WE ENCOUNTERED IN TRACKING DOWN THE FAMILY TREE

In genealogy, the tracing of one's family tree, we run into many common problems. Because of these problems, it is often impossible, with 100% accuracy, to establish proven relationships between individuals. Therefore, the information presented in this book is, especially in the early generations, a consensus of opinions of those who have studied the Rockwell families for many years. Some of the common problems the genealogist faces are : -

GOVERNMENT AND CHURCH RECORDS - For many years, Towns, Counties, or State Governments did not keep records of births, deaths or marriages. New York for example, did not start keeping these records at State level until 1880. Prior to that time these records were often in the offices of Town Clerks and many of these records were lost or destroyed over time. Records of Probate, child guardianship, and real estate transactions were kept quite accurately by the courts way back into the 1600's. It is through these documents that we often get the only indications of relationships still in existence. A Will sometimes lists the name of the spouse and surviving children or relatives. The records of many early churches have often been misplaced or destroyed over the years - in most areas they are, at best, very scarce. Incidentally, in the 1600-1800 period, women had not attained prominent legal status, and even in Wills or land documents they were often referred to as "spouse", but not by name.

FAMILY GROUP MOVES AND THE NAMING OF CHILDREN - The early families were very cohesive. For protection and mutual assistance, most of the moves from one location to another were made in groups where most of the members were related by blood or marriage. This often helps to show relationships, but of course, is not proof. This family "bonding" also leads to another problem: the children of a marriage are usually named after their parents or grandparents. Consequently, you could end up with a dozen "John", "James" or "William" Rockwells all living in the same geographic area, all probably related, but with no clue as to how. When "John Rockwell" appears in a record, you are never sure which of the multiple "John Rockwells" the record pertains to. Even the suffix "Junr" or "Senr" are not proof of relationship; they were sometimes used to denote age i.e. "John Rockwell Senr" was the elderly uncle of "John Rockwell Junr".

THE SPELLING OF THE NAME - With the Rockwell family this was not too much of a problem. Here we had an "English" name being transcribed by an "English" clerk. When we get into the Barnhart, Slentz and Metz families we do run into a problem. Some of our relatives in all lines could not read or write, and signed documents with an "X", leaving the spelling of the name up to the clerk. For example, take the fellow, "Johann Jacob Slentz" from Germany:--

-- The last name may appear as Slentz, Slents, Scheinz, Slince, Slinch, Slentz, Stentz and Slench - sometimes two different ways in the same document!

-- The Germans addressed an individual by their middle name. When an English clerk asked Johann Jacob Slentz what his name was, Johann would reply, "Jacob Slentz". Therefore, Johann Jacob Slentz may appear in records as Johann Slentz, Jacob Slentz, or (Anglicized) John Slentz - 3 or more spellings of the name for for the same person.

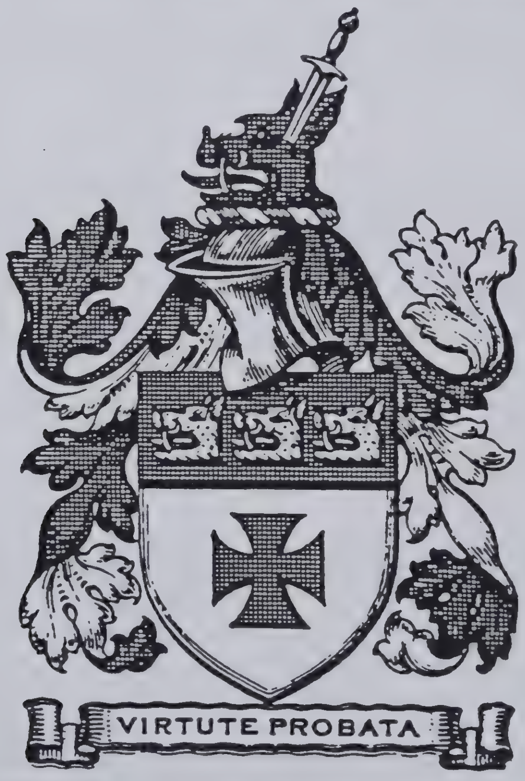
CENSUS RECORDS DO NOT MATCH THE KNOWN FAMILY MEMBERSHIP - The first census conducted by the Federal Government was taken in 1790. This Census lists the name of the head of the household, the number of males over 16, the number of males under 16, and the total number of females. Census were taken every 10 years after 1790, but with a more definitive breakdown by age group and sex. It was not until the 1850 Census that the Names, Ages, and Place of Birth were listed for EACH individual. As a consequence, prior to 1850, all we have to work with is the name of the head of the household and the TOTAL number of individuals, lumped by sex and age. As a result, boarders, guests, and hired help are all included in the total. It was not uncommon to have relatives, grandparents, newly married children, etc. all living in the same household. This is why the NUMBER of persons in a household often do not match the known number of members in a given family.

CHANGING GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES - As the frontiers expanded, Township, County, and even State boundaries shifted, were sub-divided, and renamed multiple times. As an fictionalized example: we find our Peter Rockwell mentioned in a Connecticut history book - "Peter moved to Montgomery County New York in 1779". Montgomery County, today, is in Eastern New York around the Albany area. We search the Montgomery County, NY records and can not find any record of our Peter Rockwell! What we don't know is that the old Montgomery County extended way into the central part of New York State. Montgomery Co. was split in 1791 and the western half was re-named, Herkimer Co. Herkimer Co. was split and part of it renamed Onondaga Co. in 1794. In 1799, Onondago Co. was split and part of it renamed, Cayuga Co. Yes, our Peter Rockwell did in fact move to Montgomery Co., NY in 1779, but the present day location of his original homestead is in Cayuga Co., 150 miles west of the present day Montgomery Co.! Peter never moved, but the area he lived in was re-named 4 times!

Another point to bear in mind: When we read that a family lived in "Ridgefield, Connecticut" in 1710, we must not assume they resided within the present city limits of Ridgefield. In the early days the location name more often applied to a rural area, more like what we would call a Township today, not necessarily a urban village. Consequently, the family listed as living in Ridgefield in 1710, might actually have lived 10 or 15 miles outside of what we call Ridgefield today.

When you combine these 5 problems, we are seldom 100% sure that a particular record or bit of data pertains to the SPECIFIC individual or family group we are tracking. As a consequence, it is very possible to make a few errors when putting together the family tree.

In assembling the data on the Rockwell family, I have tried to "double check"the relationships I have shown through multiple sources and published works. In those cases where there is some doubt as to correctness, I have so noted that the data is an educated guess or "probability".



A reconstruction of an what we believe the early Rockwell Coat-of-Arms looked like.

A Coat-of-Arms was originally awarded to an INDIVIDUAL for identification of that person. Each succeeding key individual in the family had to design and be awarded a different Coat-of-Arms. Therefore under the original concept, present day Rockwells can not claim this as their Coat-of-Arms. However it is still neat to display within our family homes!

RESEARCHING THE ROCKWELL FAMILY TREE

THE ORIGIN OF THE ROCKWELL NAME IN ENGLAND

According to most accepted historical documents, the name "ROCKWELL" first appears in England about 1066. A Norman knight by the name of Sir Ralph de Rocheville, a Norman Baron, came to England from Normandy in support of Empress Maud (Matilda), the daughter of Henry I of England and grand-daughter of William the Conqueror, when she claimed the English Throne.

Back in the 11th century, family names were not commonly used. In order to differentiate one individual from another, especially among the nobility, a location, or sometimes even a "nickname" was added to the first name. "Sir Ralph de Rocheville" was the nobleman, ("Sir Ralph"), "de" (the French word for "of"), the village or town of "Roche". Over time, in England, the location, "Rocheville", being the last part of the name, became the "family" name. It also became "Anglicized" and gradually evolved into ROCKWELL, meaning a "dweller at the rock by the stream".

Sir Ralph de Rocheville supported Empress Maud's son, Henry II and allegedly, for his bravery and patriotism, and in 1154, was granted "three knights' fees of land" at Boroughbridge in the County of York. A "knights' fee" of land was the amount of land a yoke of oxen could plow in one season. This land at Boroughbridge remained in the hands of descendants of Sir Ralph de Rocheville up into the late 1800s, when Sir James Rockwell of Rockwell Hall lived there in 1880.

We can find no link connecting our Rockwell family back to the family of Sir Ralph. In fact most Rockwells in England in the 1500-1700s lived, not in the County (Shire) of York, but in a relatively small area in Somerset Shire.

TRACING THE EARLY AMERICAN ROCKWELLS BACK TO ENGLAND

A considerable amount of research has been done on the Rockwell family trees, and it is generally agreed that there were four major Rockwell lines in the early records of the American Colonies:

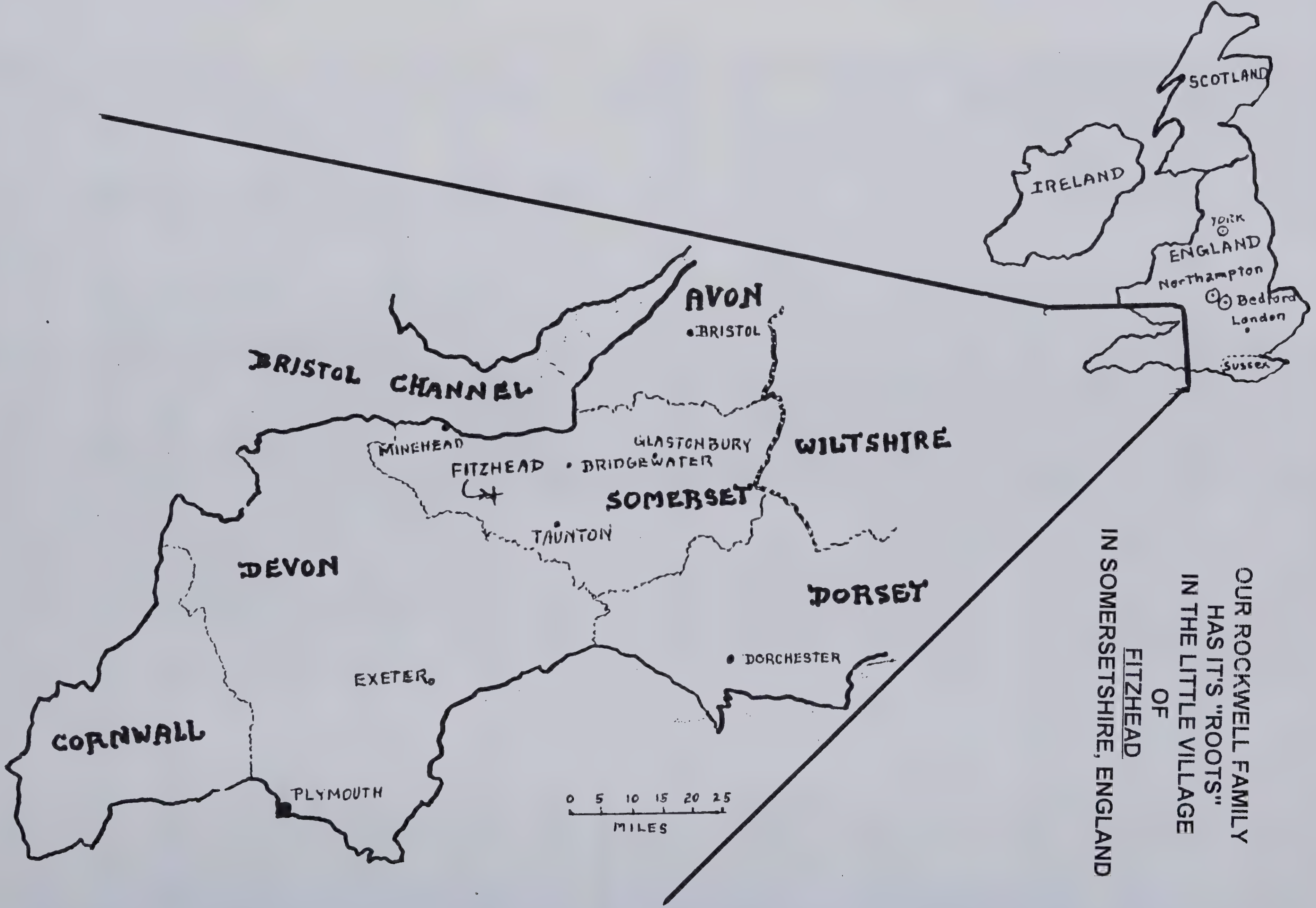
1. **DEACON WILLIAM ROCKWELL** is the most widely publicized and best know of the original Rockwell lines. He and his family left their home in Fitzhead, Somersetshire, England in 1630 and eventually settled in Windsor, CT.

2. **JOHN ROCKWELL** is the older brother of Deacon William Rockwell and also lived in Fitzhead. John and his family came to the Colonies in 1635 and later joined his brother in Windsor, CT. **This is the line that our family descends from - we will show how in the following pages.**

3. **JOSIAH ROCKWELL** is of unknown parentage and lived in Norwich, CT. He was killed by Indians in January 1676 leaving a wife and 6 children. His son, Joseph, was captured by the Indians, but later returned home and eventually married one, Dorothy Prier, in Jan 1706. There is a lot of controversy over whether or not Josiah is somehow related to William and John, above, but there is no proven relationship.

4. **ROBERT ROCKWELL** is also of unknown parentage, but he and his wife, Sarah, settled in Virginia in 1637 and consequently does not enter into our New England Rockwell origins.

From these four major lines came most of the many thousands of Rockwell families in the United States today.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OUR ROCKWELL FAMILY
HAS IT'S "ROOTS"
IN THE LITTLE VILLAGE
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IN SOMERSETSHIRE, ENGLAND

THE ORIGINS OF OUR ROCKWELL FAMILY IN

FITZHEAD, SOMERSET SHIRE, ENGLAND

We have traced our Rockwell line back to the vicinity of Fitzhead, Somerset Shire, England, where, to the best of our knowledge, the first two proven generations of our Rockwell family lived. As shown on the map, Fitzhead is a small village in the western portion of Somerset Shire on the southwestern coast of England.

The village of Fitzhead is situated in gently rolling farmland with high hills a few miles to the South, West, and North. Today it consists of the Saint James Parish Church, a few dozen homes, old cottages, and a scattering of farms in the surrounding countryside. In 1086, when the "Doomsday Survey" was taken, Fitzhead was shown as "Fyfhide" (five hides) when it was part of the Manor of Wiveliscombe, which was held by the Saxon Kings.

The first mention of a Rockwell in the Fitzhead area appears in the tax lists or Lay Subsidy: - the first being on the Subsidy lists of 1524-25 which names a "John Rockell", and second-"Lay Subsidy of 1542-43" for the Fitzhead area which mentions a "John Rockull" and a John Rockull Junr". These two Johns MAY be related in some manner to our Rockwell line, but as of today, there is no PROVEN relationship.

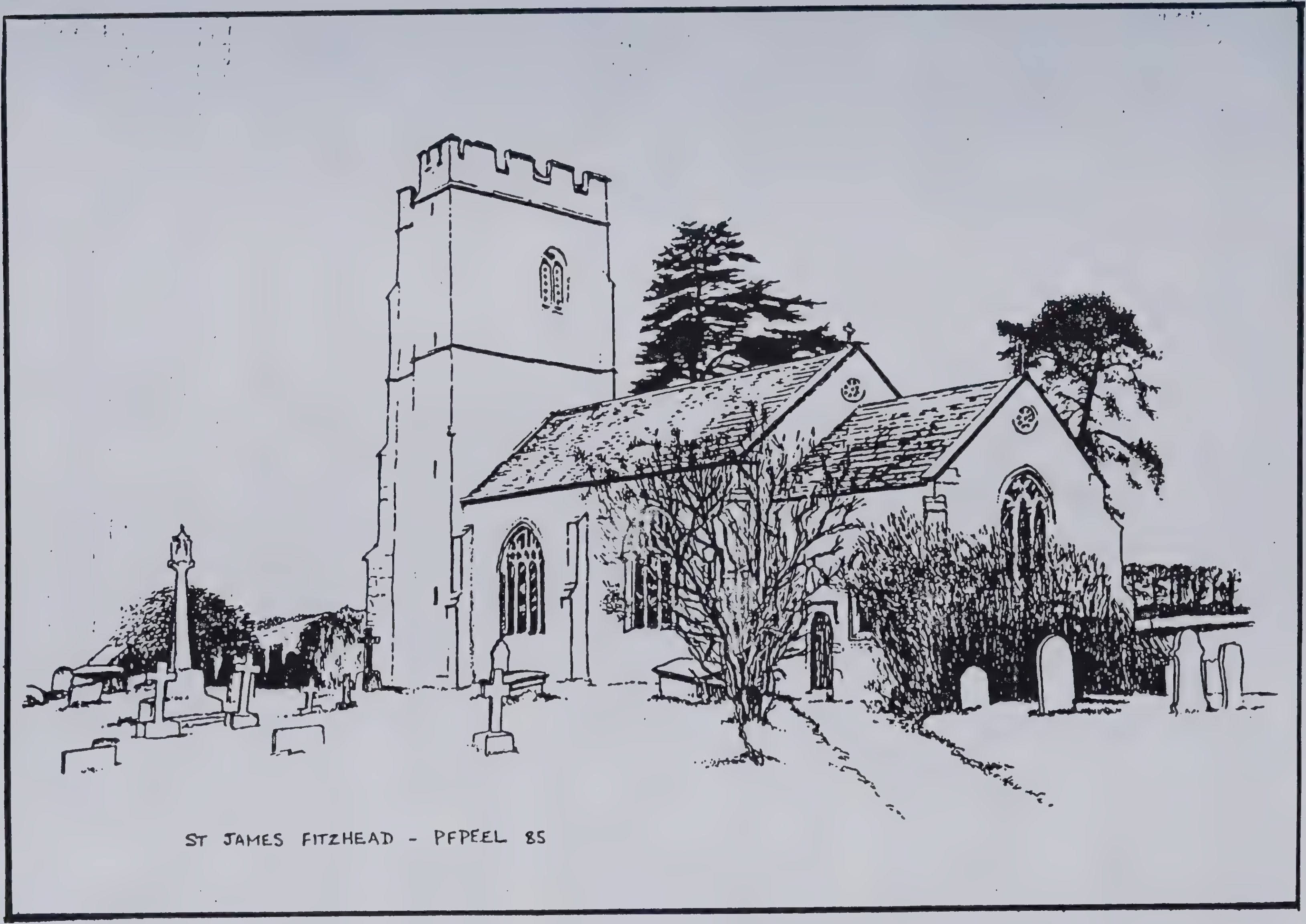
St. James Church consists of the original red sandstone battlement tower which was built in the 1400s, and the main sanctuary which was reconstructed in the 1800s. The pews were made from oak salvaged from the original church. The organ is 200 years old, made by the local blacksmith. In the churchyard is a cross, the base and part of the shaft date back to the 1200s. It was restored in 1908 and given a new lantern top. The earliest surviving records from St. James Church date back to 1560.

Across the churchyard stands the Tithe Barn. It was built, probably in the mid 1300s of the same red sandstone that the original church was constructed of. In those early days the parishioners were expected to give their 10%, their "tithe", to the Church, not in money, but in produce from their farms. The Tithe Barn was so constructed that a farm wagon, loaded with corn, hay or flax, could pull in through the south wall door, unload, and pull straight out through the north wall door. Today the Tithe Barn has been remodeled into a "meeting hall" complete with kitchen and a stage.

Though some of our Rockwell ancestors were originally buried in the adjacent church cemetery, none of their original gravestones remain. This is very common throughout Europe; because of the limited cemetery space, old grave plots are re-used after an allocated length of time. The Church area is surrounded by a low stone wall, over 400 foot in length. This was badly overgrown by ivy and was in poor condition and rebuilt in 1997. The old church records indicated that the villagers used to be responsible for maintaining this wall. They were responsible for a number of foot of wall based upon the length of their hedge at their home.

At the eastern end of the village is a Pond Cottage. The ponds nearby were once leased from the Lord of the Manor for a shilling a year with the understanding that the tenant would provide fish for the parishioners during the winter months.

In 1985 some Rockwell descendants from America visited Fitzhead and dedicated a bench beside the Church in the Memory of John Rockwell and Honor Newton, the parents of William and John Rockwell who were the first of the Rockwells to emigrate to America. They also planted an American Elm in the Churchyard, which in 1998 is now over 20 foot tall.


ST JAMES FITZHEAD - PFPEEL 85

SAINT JAMES CHURCH, FITZHEAD, SOMERSET, ENGLAND

This is the church were the early generations of Rockwells were married, baptized, and buried prior to their departure from England to the New England Colonies in the 1630s.

OUR FIRST ROCKWELL GENERATION

WILLIAM ROCKWELL AND MARIAN WYKE

The earliest Rockwell that we have found with a strong assurance of being connected with our Rockwell line is William Rockwell. William lived in the Somerset area on the southwestern coast of England. It is possible that William was somehow related to the "John Rockull" and "John Rockull Junr" who were listed in the "Lay Subsidy of 1542-43" for the Fitzhead area. William was born about 1540, probably in the vicinity of Fitzhead. About 1559 he married Marian Wyke.

Marian was probably born about 1542. We have found no indication of the names of her parents. There is some conflict over the correct spelling of Marian's family name: some claim it is Wyke, some say Pyke, and some say it should be Kyne. This conflict is caused, primarily by the penmanship and/or the deterioration of the early Church records. William and Marian lived in Fitzhead, but we have not determined what his occupation was. In all probability he was a farmer.

We know from the Fitzhead Church records that Marian was buried at Fitzhead on 4 October, 1598. William preceded her in death and was buried at Fitzhead on 27 December, 1577. The St. James Church records are not too clear on the names of their children, but it is assumed that they were the parents of the following four sons. It is possible that they had additional children. Baptism of the children usually took place shortly after their birth, depending upon their health and the availability of a clergyman.

THE PRESUMED CHILDREN OF WILLIAM ROCKWELL & MARIAN WYKE

I. SYMON (SIMON) ROCKWELL - Symon was baptized in the St. James Church in Fitzhead on 4 November 1560 which is the earliest year for which Church records exist. Symon married Agnes D_______, who was a widow, in July 1592. Agnes died on 5 July 1637.

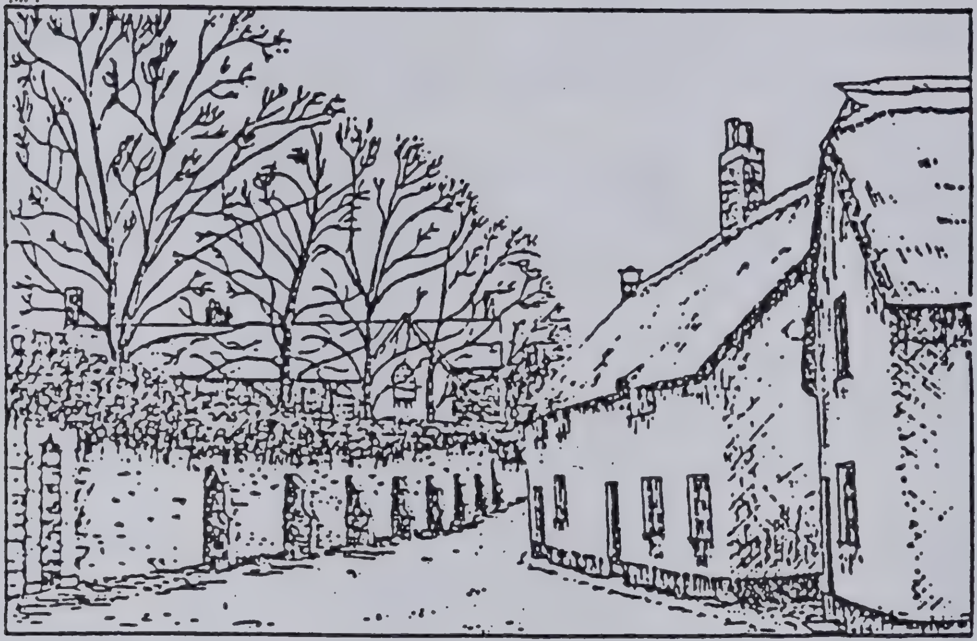
   A. Jonas Rockwell - bapt Mar 1593/94.
   B. Dinah Rockwell - bapt Mar 1593/94.
   C. William Rockwell - bapt Feb 1594.
   D. Johan Rockwell - bapt Feb 1595.

II. THOMAS ROCKWELL - about all we know about Thomas is that he is shown on the seating plan of St. James Church in 1607.

III. RICHARD ROCKWELL - Married Thomazin (Thomasin) Littlejohn on 13 September, 1593 in Fitzhead. Richard is shown on the Fitzhead Church seating plan for 1607. Richard died in April 1621 and Thomazin died 20 years later in April, 1641.

   A. Miriam Rockwell - bapt Jan 1594. m Nov 1616 William Humphries.
   B. William Rockwell - bapt Oct 1598. m Mary Dyer 13 Nov 1626.
      1. John Rockwell - bapt 4 Jan 1626.
      2. William Rockwell - bapt 1 Oct 1628.
      3. Johane Rockwell - bapt 31 Oct 1630.
      4. Mary Rockwell - bapt 28 Jan 1634.
   C. Simon Rockwell - bapt June 1601. m Amilla Pearce in May, 1622
      1. Richard Rockwell - bapt 10 Feb 1623.
      2. William Rockwell - bapt 1625.
      3. Margaret Rockwell - bapt 1627.

IV. JOHN ROCKWELL I - born 1563. Married Honor Newton and is the next generation of our Rockwell family line.



THE STREETS AND HOUSES
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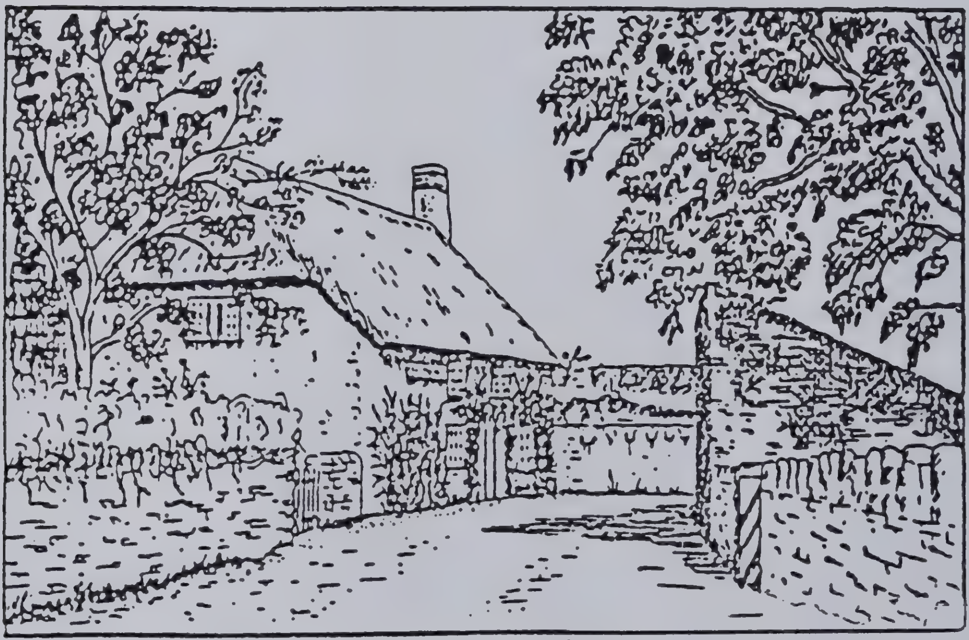
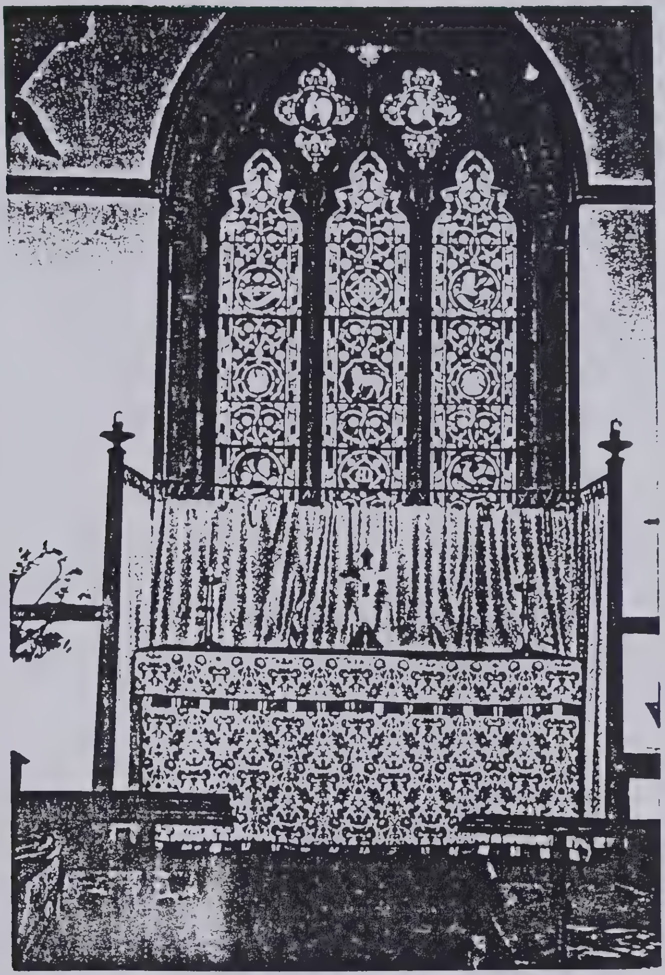
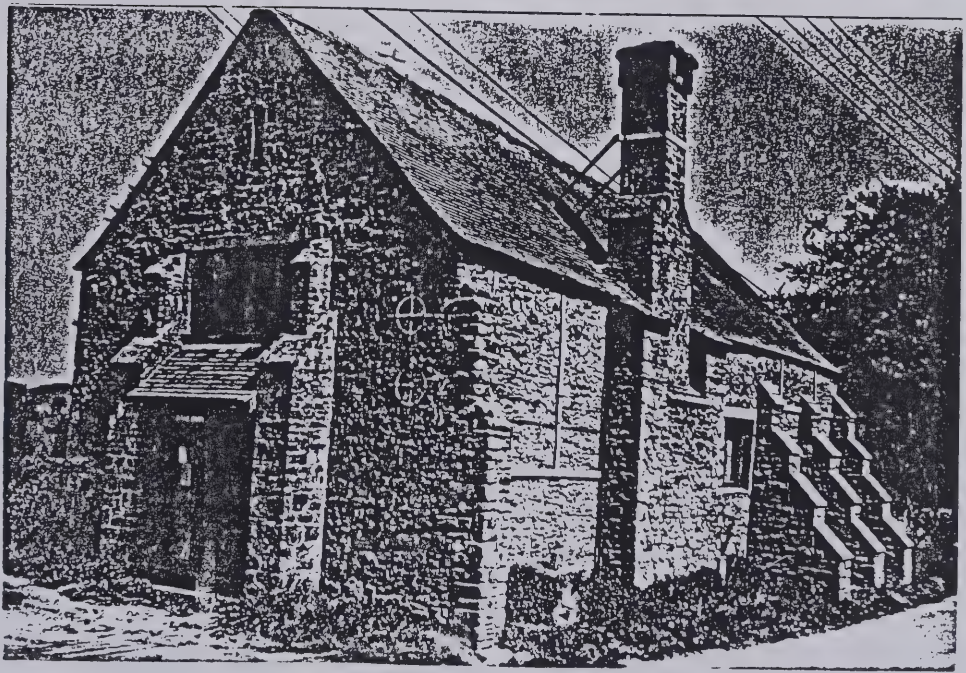


The stained glass window inside St. James Church at Fitzhead.





The Tithing Barn next to the Church at Fitzhead.

THE WILL OF HONOR NEWTON ROCKWELL
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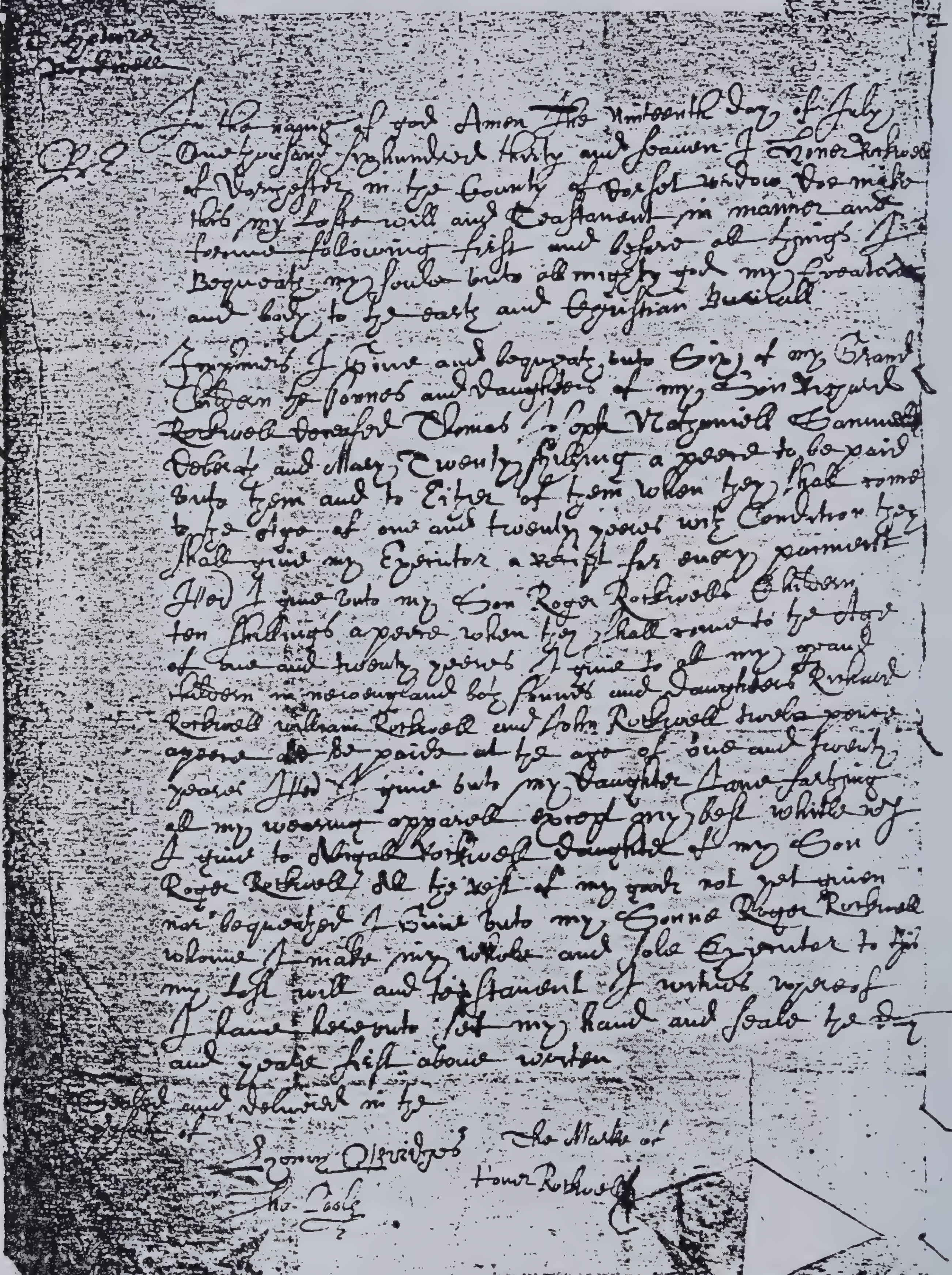


Honor
Rockwell

In the name of God Amen the nineteenth day of July One thousand six hundred thirty and seaven I Honor Rockwell of Dorchester in the County of Dorset widow doe make this my laste will and Testament in manner and forme following first and before all things I bequeath my soule unto allmighty God my Creator and body to the earth and Christian Buriall

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Six of my Grand Children the sonnes and daughters of my Son Richard Rockwell deceased Thomas Joseph Nathaniell Samuell Deborah and Mary Twenty shilling a peece to be paid unto them and to Either of them when they shall come to the Age of one and twenty yeares with Condition they shall give my Executor a receipt for every payment

Item I give unto my Son Roger Rockwells Children ten shillings a peece when they shall come to the Age of one and twenty yeares I give to all my grand children in new england the sonnes and daughters Richard Rockwell william Rockwell and John Rockwell twelve pence a peece to be paide at the age of one and twenty yeares Item I give unto my Daughter Jane fathing all my wearing apparell except my best white [illegible] I give to Abigall Rockwell Daughter of my Son Roger Rockwell All the rest of my goods not yet given nor bequeathed I give unto my Sonne Roger Rockwell whome I make my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and testament In witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Henry Oldridge
Tho. Poole

The Marke of
Honor Rockwell

Probatum apud London [illegible]

OUR SECOND ROCKWELL GENERATION

JOHN ROCKWELL I & HONOR NEWTON

John Rockwell I is the presumed son of William Rockwell and Marian Wyke. He was born c1563 and baptized in St. James Church in Fitzhead in 1563. He married Honor Newton on the 19th of July, 1585 in St. James Church in Fitzhead. Honor was born about 1564, probably in the vicinity of Fitzhead, but we have not found the names of her parents. It is believed that John and Honor lived for a while in Dorchester, Dorset Shire, about 45 miles southeast of Fitzhead. John is shown, along with his brothers, Thomas and Richard, on the Fitzhead Church seating plan for 1607. In the early St. James Church records the name Rockwell is sometimes spelled "Rockewell".

From this marriage there were 5 known children. John died and was buried on the 23rd of February, 1636/37 in the churchyard of St. James in Fitzhead. John's widow, Honor Rockwell, executed the following Will on the 19th of July, 1637 in Dorchester, Dorset Shire. She died shortly thereafter and was buried next to her husband in Fitzhead on the 21st of August, 1637. Based upon Honor's Will, and other historical records in England and the American Colonies, we can re-construct the family of John and Honor Rockwell.

THE WILL OF HONOR NEWTON ROCKWELL

> "In the name of god Amen. The ninteenth day of July one thousand six hundred thirth and seaven I Honer Rockwell of Dorchester in the County of Dorse, widow, doe make this my Laste will and Teastament in manner and forme following: first and before all things I Bequeath my soule unto almighty god my Creator and body to the earth and Christian Buriall."
> "Imprimeis I Give and bequeath unto Six of my Grandchildren the Sonnes and Daughters of my son Richard Rockwell deceased, Thomas, Joseph, Nathaniell, Samuell, Deberath and Mary Twenty shilling apeece to be paid unto them and to Either of them when they shall come to the Age of one and twenty yeeres, with Condition they shall give my Executor a Recipt for every paiment."
> "Item I give unto my Son Roger Rockwells Children ten shillings apeece when they shall come to the Age on one and twenty yeeres. I give to all my grandchildre in new england, both sonnes and daughters of Richard Rockwell William Rockwell and John Rockwell, twelve pence apeece to be paide att the age of one and twenty yeares. Item I give unto my daughter Jane Farthing all my wearing apparell except my best whitle wch I give to Abigall Rockwell daughter of my Son Roger Rockwell. All the Rest of my goods not yet given nor bequeathed I Give unto my Son Roger Rockwell whome I make my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and testament"
> "In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale the day and yeare first above writen. Sealed and delivered in the presence of
> Henry Bridges
> Tho: Poole The Marke of
> Honer Rockwell"

Sealed with a signet ring bearing a device, apparently a swan. Probated in London , Jan. 26, 1637-38 by oath of Roger Rockwell, executor. The endorsement on the bottom of the page is in Latin and translates: "Death certificates were kept by executors and are therefore not at Somerset House."

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL I & HONOR NEWTON

I. RICHARD ROCKWELL - born c1586 in Fitzhead. Richard married outside Fitzhead and we have not been able to discover the name of his wife. Richard died prior to 1637 as mentioned in his mother's Will. We also know from his mother's Will that some of Richard's children went to the New England Colonies , most likely with Richard's brother John Rockwell II. No further record specifically identifies what became of Richard's children. In all probability they are "mixed" with the records of the children of Richard's brothers, John and William, in New England. Note that 5 of Richard's children carry the same names as the children of John and William. These 6 children were all named as "grandchildren" and awarded 20 shillings each in Honor Rockwell's Will.

A. Thomas Rockwell -
B. Joseph Rockwell -
C. Nathaniel Rockwell -
D. Samuel Rockwell -
E. Deberath Rockwell -
F. Mary Rockwell -

II. JOHN ROCKWELL II - Bapt 5 July, 1588 in Fitzhead. Married Wilmot Cade 22 February, 1619/20. Moved to the New England Colonies in 1635. John is the next generation of our Rockwell line.

III. WILLIAM ROCKWELL (Deacon) - Bapt 6 Feb 1590 in Fitzhead. Married Susannah (Susan) Capen, the daughter of Bernard Capen (1562-8 Sep 1638) and Jean (Joan) Purchase (c1578 - 26 Mar 1653) on 14 Apr 1624 in the Holy Trinity Church in Dorchester, England. Susannah was born on 11 Apr 1602. William and his family left Plymouth, England on the ship "Mary and John" with the Winthrop emigration on the 20th of Mar 1630. After a 10 week voyage the 140 passengers arrived in New England and settled in Dorchester, MA. He was admitted as a "Freeman" of the Colony on 18 May 1631. He was a Deacon in the Dorchester Church in England and also in the Dorchester Church in Massachusetts where he continued his Church activities and is therefore often referred to as "Deacon William Rockwell". He is shown in many early colonial records through his church and local government activities.

In 1637 William and Susannah moved to Windsor, CT. Both he and his wife, Susannah, appear in many early land transactions in Windsor, CT. William died in Windsor, CT on 15 May 1640. Susannah, his widow, remarried on 29 May 1645 to Matthew Grant (27 Oct 1601 - 16 Dec 1681). General U. S. Grant, the Civil War General and President of the United States is descended from this Grant Family. Susannah died 14 Nov 1666, age 64.

The family of William Rockwell and Susannah Capen is the best publicized of all the Rockwell lines in the United States; there are quite a number of published books on this family.

A. Joan Rockwell - b 25 Apr 1625 in England. m 15 Nov 1642 Jeffery Baker in Windsor, CT. Jeffery died on 7 Jul 1655, but it is not known when Joan died. They had 4 or 5 children: Samuel b 1644, Hepzibah b 1646, Mary b 1649, Abrell b 1652, and possibly another child.
B. John Rockwell - b 17 Jul 1627 in Fitzhead. m 1st Sarah Ensign on 6 May 1651. Sarah died in 1659. m 2nd Deliverance Haynes (Hawes) on 18 Aug 1662. John died in Windsor, CT on 13 Sep 1673. There are indications that he had 3 children by Sarah (Sarah b 1653, Ruth b 1654, Lydia b 1656) and 4 children by Deliverance (John b 1663, Hannah b 1665, Joseph b 1668, Elizabeth b 1670). When John died, Deliverance remarried to Robert Warranar and moved to Middletown, CT.
C. Joseph Rockwell - b c1629. It is believed that Joseph was ill and was left with his grandparents when his parents moved to New England. Joseph died and was buried at Fitzhead on 14 Jun 1630.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL I & HONOR NEWTON continued.

D. Mary Rockwell - b c1629 in England and may have died young, or, may have lived and be the Mary Rockwell who married Jeffrey Mahon.
E. Samuel Rockwell - b 28 Mar 1631 in New England. m Mary Norton on 7 Apr 1660. Samuel is mentioned in a number of land transactions in Windsor, CT in the 1650s. He died in East Windsor, CT in 1711. They had 6 known children: Mary b 1662, Abigail b 1664, Samuel b 1667, Joseph b 1670, John b 1673, Josiah b 1678.
F. Ruth Rockwell - b Aug 1633 in Dorchester, MA. m Christopher Huntington on 7 Oct 1652 in Windsor, CT. Ruth d in Norwich, CT. They had 9 children: Christopher b 1653, Ruth b 1658, Christopher b 1660, Thomas b 1664, John b 1666, Susannah b 1668, Lydia b 1672, Ann b 1675, (male) b 1677. Their 1st son, Christopher, evidently died prior to 1660.
G. Sarah Rockwell - b 21 Jul 1638 in Dorchester, MA. m Walter Gaylord on 22 Mar 1658 as his 2nd wife. Sarah d in Windsor, CT on 7 Aug 1683. Walter and Sarah had 2 children.

IV. ROGER ROCKWELL - bapt 31 May 1594 in Fitzhead, England. Roger was the Executor of his mother's Will (Honor Rockwell) in 1638. In the Borough of Dorchester on 27 Feb 1631/32, "Roger Rockwell warned not to regrate anymore victuall or ingross any more" - which means not to buy cheaply and sell at a higher price. Roger did not go to the New England Colonies. All his children were born in Dorchester, England. These children were awarded 10 shillings each when they became 21 years of age in Honor Newton Rockwell's Will.

A. Abigale Rockwell - This is the grand-daughter who was willed Honor Newton Rockwell's "best whitle". A "whitle" was the course, shaggy, woolen shawl commonly worn by women in the westcoast area of England.
B. Joseph Rockwell - ----:
C. Samuel Rockwell - : It is believed that these 4 children died young
D. Nathaniel Rockwell - : between 1633 and 1638.
E. Ruth Rockwell - ----:
F. John Rockwell -

V. JOANE or JANE ROCKWELL - bapt 6 Feb 1596 in Fitzhead, England. She became the 2nd wife of the Reverend John Farthing at Fitzhead on 27 Jan 1635. They remained in Fitzhead and did not go to New England. Jane was awarded all of her mother's wearing apparel, except the "whitle" willed to Abigale, IV. A., above, in her mother's Will.

A BRIEF HISTORICAL OVER-VIEW OF COLONIAL NEW ENGLAND

The English Crown had a very strong desire to establish control over the land we presently call New England. In 1600 the area had no white settlers and was occupied by the various Indian tribes. England could see that if the area was not occupied by Englishmen, there was a strong chance that the French would occupy the area and England would lose control In 1606 the English Crown granted a Charter to establish the Plymouth Colony.

In 1607 several small settlements were established on the Kennebec River in what is today, Maine. Because of the hardships involved and the difficult problem of trans-Atlantic supply, the settlements were abandoned the next year.

There were no real attempts to establish permanent settlements for the next 12 years. During the period from 1615 through 1620, there were numerous fishing and trading voyages by the organization directed by Sir Ferdinado Gorges.

In England at this time there were a number of religious groups who felt that the Church of England was not strictly adhering to true Biblical principles; it was too "liberal". For example: the Church of England condoned the playing of sports and games on Sunday, which the dissenters believed was immoral and un-Biblical. One of these groups were called "Puritans" and suffered much persecution. They fled from England and took refuge in the Netherlands. They finally determined to immigrate to the New England Colonies and a group of London investors financed them in exchange for most of their produce from the "Colony of New Plymouth" for their first 6 years. It was this group, who in 1620 aboard the ship, "Mayflower", sailed from Plymouth, England, and later landed at Plymouth Rock at the end of Cape Cod. The Puritans of Plymouth probably would have not survived the first winter if it had not been for the kindness and friendship shown by the local Indian tribes. Todays Thanksgiving Holiday is derived from this group's "giving of thanks" to the Lord for their first season's harvest. The Plymouth Colony which they established lasted until 1692 when it was absorbed by the larger Massachusetts Bay Colony. This group is often referred to today as our "Pilgrim Fathers".

After the "Mayflower", there was a slow "trickle" of settlers into Plymouth and to the area to the north for about 10 years. In 1630 the Winthrop Fleet of 17 ships with nearly 1000 passengers arrived and established the Massachusetts Bay Colony. John Winthrop who led this fleet, was also a strong Puritan believer and was elected Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony 12 times between 1630 and 1649. **William Rockwell** and his family took part in the Winthrop immigration and were probably strong believers in Puritan principles. The capitol of the Massachusetts Bay Colony was established in Boston which soon became the largest "city" in New England at that time.

From 1630 until 1642 there was a steady migration of settlers, probably about 16,000 over the 12 year period. Most of these new arrivals landed in Boston and then moved out to the newly established frontier towns and villages. Our **John Rockwell II** and his family were part of this group, arriving in 1635. They initially settled in the Dorchester area near John's brother, William, south of Boston.

It should be noted that many of these early settlers were from the middle class or upper middle class of England's society. They were tradesmen and entrepreneurs who had a vision of being able to better themselves in the long term by moving to the Colonies were there was religious freedom and ample land available. In England all available property was owned, often by royalty, and the chances of obtaining land, unless you were very rich or of royal blood, was almost non-existent. The establishment of the New England Colonies was therefore based, not just for trade, but also for religious freedom and the opportunity for the ownership of land. Regrettably, many of these early settlers did not realize the` hardships they would face!

The First hardship was the long voyage across the Atlantic lasting for as long as 90 days with poor food, lack of water, cramped over-crowded quarters, and often sickness and death, especially among the younger children. Upon arrival, they faced their Second hardship. Homes had to be built, land cleared, crops planted and harvested before the first winter in order to provide food for the family. For many families the first few years were extremely harsh!

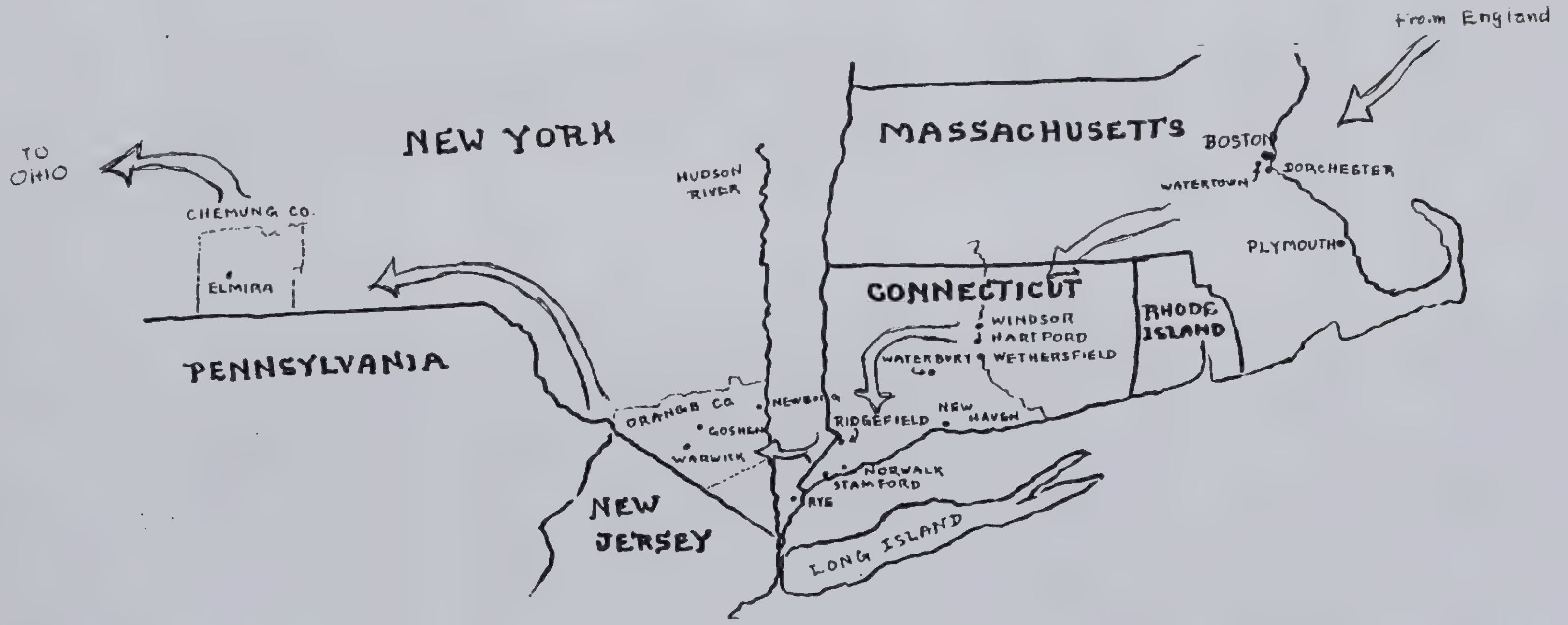
In 1636 Providence was settled in, what is today, Rhode Island. Harvard College was founded the same year at Cambridge in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. In 1635 settlers from the Plymouth Colony established a settlement at Windsor, which was the origin of, what was to become, the Connecticut Colony. **William** and **John Rockwell II** moved from Dorchester, Massachusetts Bay Colony to the new town of Windsor, Connecticut Colony, in 1637. In 1636 another large Congregationalist religious group moved into the area that was called Newtown (Hartford, Connecticut today).

All of these "Colonys" were limited duration Charters issued by the English Government which defined their boundaries, government, court system, and, sometimes, who could settle there. One of the early Charters for the Connecticut Colony established the western boundary as the Pacific Ocean i.e. it would include land in today's New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, etc. This led to a lot of land ownership conflicts in later years!

When these new towns were established, the original settlers were each granted a "home lot" on which they built their home and established their vegtable garden. This lot was often of about 2 acres in size and the homes were built on both sides of a "main street" (often a one lane, dirt road that curved around large tree stumps or rocks). In many cases, each settler was also granted a "woodlot" of 5 or so acres which would eventually be cleared for crops. There was also a fenced "Common Ground" that all settlers used together as a pasture for their livestock. It should be remembered that horses were in very short supply and most of the farming was done by ox teams.

In 1642 migration from England halted because of the outbreak of the English Civil War. Later, in the 1640s and 1650s, a fair number of Scottish and Irish, some of them prisoners, were sent to New England as indentured servants. This greatly aided the labor supply! In 1675 King Philip's War with the Narragansett and other Indian tribes broke out, and in 1692 the Salem, Massachusetts Colony witchcraft trials were held. These trials were a reflection of the strong religious beliefs of the colonists.

WHERE THE ROCKWELLS LIVED 1635 - 1816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John Rockwell II = **1635 Dorchester, MA**
= **1637 to Windsor, CT**
John Rockwell III = **1641 to Stamford, CT**
= **1669 to Rye, NY**
Jonathan Rockwell I = **1686 Norwalk, CT**
= **1708 to Ridgefield, CT**
Jonathan Rockwell II = **1711 - 1784 Ridgefield, CT**
Jonathan Rockwell III = **1738 Ridgefield, CT**
= **1770 to Warwick, NY**
= **1791 to Chemung Co., NY**
James Rockwell = **1763 Ridgefield, CT**
= **1775 to Warwick, NY**
= **1790 to Chemung Co., NY**
= **1816 to Scioto Co., OH**

--- Windsor was first settled in 1635. By 1670 it had 100 inhabitants living in 29 families.

--- Stamford was first settled in 1641. By 1670 it had grown to 325 people living in 59 families.

--- Ridgefield, Norwald, and Rye are all within a 10 mile radius of Stamford.

NOTE: at the time the Rockwells lived in Connecticut, Ridgefield, Stamford, and Norwalk were township areas rather than villages as they are today.

OUR THIRD ROCKWELL GENERATION

JOHN ROCKWELL II & WILMOT CADE

John Rockwell II, the 2nd child of John Rockwell I and Honor Newton was baptized in the St. James Church in Fitzhead on the 5th of July, 1588. John married Wilmot (Willmet, Wilmoth) Cade in Fitzhead, England on 22 February, 1619/20.

John and Wilmot settled their affairs in Fitzhead and made the decision to join John's brother, William, who had moved to the New England Colonies in 1630. They, and at least 3 of their 6 children, boarded the sailing ship "Hopewell" in Weymouth, England, and departed for the Colonies on the 8th of May, 1635. John's name may be found on the passenger lists in the Port Book of Weymouth. After a long and arduous voyage, they landed in New England and initially settled in Dorchester, MA. It is very probable that, along with their own children, they took some of the children of John's deceased brother, Richard, as is indicated in Honor Rockwell's Will.

In 1637 they moved to Windsor, CT where John's brother, William, had settled. An early Windsor record states in 1649 that John was to be exempt from "watch" (guard duty). This was evidently because of age (he was about 61 years old) or by an infirmity.

A SUMMER DAY IN 1639 IN WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT

Wilmot Rockwell stopped at the end of the row of potatoes she was hoeing. It was hot and sticky and the sweat ran down her face from under her white sun bonnet. She leaned on her hand-made, wooden handled, slate tipped hoe. Her hands ached from arthritis and two small blisters from this afternoons work. It was on days like this that she sometimes wondered why they ever left England.

"Here I am, over 50 years old, and with less goods than we had when we were first married", she thought to herself. "I wish we could afford more metal tools - a iron hoe, another small iron cooking pot, a 2nd iron ax - little things that make life a little easier. At least in England we had a wood and stone floor in our house - the dirt floor in our new home here is hard to keep clean - it seems that it is either too dusty or it is muddy. I wish we could afford to butcher some of our livestock - how I would like some pork or beef, but we can't breed more if we butcher what we have - and we need a few more head for oxen, milk and breeders before we can afford to have any for the table. Oh well! At least this winter will not be a bad as last winter with some days with little more to eat than soup. I guess the Lord will look after us. The one good thing is that we actually own our home, garden and wood lot - that would never have been in Fitzhead! " She thought for a fleeting-moment how nice it might be to take a cool bath in the pond, but remembered that, as her mother said, and everyone went along with - "Thou shall not bathe for it will remove the oil from your skin that the Lord put there to protect you from pestilence."

John Rockwell II approached the garden were his wife was working. He and their son, John III, had been digging a rock lined "root cellar" for the cool storage of their fruit, vegetables, milk and venison. He too sometimes regretted leaving England, but he looked at their 18' x 16' wood slab and log home with it's solid door, stone fireplace, 2 "oil -skin" covered windows, a high sleeping loft, and a newly shingled roof that replaced the thatched roof we had originally put on - he felt rather proud of the home they had built, and THEY owed it all themselves!

"Let us stop work for today'" said John. "I will cut the kindling and you start supper - we have accomplished a lot for today." He smiled. She nodded and returned his smile. The held each others blistered hands and walked slowly back to their new home that they built and owned.

John wrote his Will on 4 Apr 1661 and he died in Windsor, CT on 10 May 1662. His Will is found in the "2nd Book of Records of Court and Probate of the Connecticut Colony", pg. 162. John's Will appoints his son, Simon as his executor, and states that Simon is to have the estate after his mother's death. The house, land, one cow, etc., were left to his wife, Wilmot. Simon was to have a cow, and he and his sisters, Mary and Hannah Sanford were given one pound each and their children one pound each. The value of the estate was 244.05 pounds.

Wilmot died 2 days later on 12 May 1662. Wilmot's Will was written on the day she died and gives "to my daughter Mary, one Bed, that which Simon lies on, with two Blankets, two sheets, one pillow" and, "to my daughter Hannah, one little Bed, which my husband died on, with two blankets, two sheets, one pillow", and "all my wearing clothes to my two daughters to be equally divided to them. And all ye rest of my estate I give to my son Simon." Note that the Wills of both John and Wilmot mention only 3 of their children: Simon, Mary, and Hannah. It is assumed that their other children had previously been provided for.

THE FAMILY OF WILMOT CADE

Wilmot Cade was the daughter of Christopher Cade and Agnes Tucker of Halse. Wilmot was baptized in Fitzhead on 6 March 1587. Her father, Christopher Cade, was born in Fitzhead and died there c1628. Christopher Cade was the son of John Cade who was born c1521 in Halse, England.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL II & WILMOT CADE

I. **JOHN ROCKWELL III - Bapt. 22 July, 1621/22 in Fitzhead, Somerset Shire, England. Married Elizabeth Weed about 1654 in Stamford, CT. John is the next generation in our Rockwell line.**

II. CAPT. NATHANIEL ROCKWELL - Born c1623. Very little is know about Nathaniel except he was a mariner and supposedly sailed to the "West Indies". His papers of probate were filed in London, England on 10 May 1656 and names his brother, Thomas as Administrator. He apparently was not married and had no children.

III. MARY ROCKWELL - Bapt 21 Feb 1623/24 in Fitzhead, England. Married Robert Watson Jr., the son of Robert Watson Sr. and his wife Elizabeth, on 10 Dec 1646 in Windsor, CT. Mary and Robert lived in Windsor and later lived in the home originally owned by her father, John Rockwell II. Mary died in Windsor on 21 Aug 1684 and Robert died on 19 Jul 1689.

   A. Mary Watson - b 11 Jan 1651 in Windsor. m John Drake. Moved to Simsbury, CT. d 7 Aug 1693.
   B. John Watson - b 7 Mar 1653. died single, possibly as a child.
   C. Samuel Watson - b 14 Jan 1655. died single, possibly as a child.
   D. Hannah Watson - b 8 Aug 1658 in Windsor, CT. m John Birge on 28 Mar 1678. d 24 Jul 1690 in Windsor.
   E. Ebenezer Watson - b 25 Apr 1661 in Windsor. m Abigail Whitcomb Kelsey, the widow of William Kelsey, on 1 Apr 1703. d 3 Oct 1747 in East Windsor, CT.
   F. Nathaniel Watson - b 28 Jan 1663 in Windsor. m Dorothy Bissell on 21 Jan 1685. d 19 Aug 1690 in Windsor.
   G. Jedediah Watson - b 30 Sep 1666 in Windsor. m Mary Clark Gaylord, the widow of John Gaylord. d 13 Dec 1741 in East Windsor, CT. No children.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL II & WILMOT CADE continued:

IV. HANNAH (ANNA) ROCKWELL - Bapt 9 Dec 1627. Married Sgt. Zachariah Sanford (b c1630) of Saybrook. Hannah died in 1672 in Saybrook. Zachariah died 23 Dec 1668 in Saybrook. Their children were all born in Saybrook.

A. Zachary Sanford - b 1653. m Sopiah Breton (Beton). d 4 Nov 1711. 3 children.
B. Hannah Sanford - b 1656. m Abraham Chalker.
C. Ruth Sanford - b 1659. m Sammuel Bushnell who was b c1658.
D. Ezekiel Sanford - b 1663. Ezekiel d 1711, unmarried.
E. Deborah Sanford - b 1665. m Samuel Jones Jr who was b c1664. 13 children.
F. & G. Rebecca & Sarah Sanford - b Nov 1668. These twin girls died as infants.

V. THOMAS ROCKWELL - Almost nothing is known about Thomas other than the fact that he was named as the Administrator of his brother, Nathaniel's estate by court records filed in London, England in 1656.

VI. SIMON ROCKWELL - Baptized on 7 Nov 1630 in Fitzhead, England. Simon died, unmarried, on 22 Jun, 1665. In his death-bed statement, he left his property to his two sisters, Hannah and Mary.

NOTES

OUR FOURTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JOHN ROCKWELL III & ELIZABETH WEED

John Rockwell III was the first son of John Rockwell II and his wife, Wilmot Cade. John was baptized on the 22nd of July, 1621 in Fitzhead, Somerset, England. John is not mentioned by name in his parent's Will in 1662, and it is assumed that he was previously given his inheritance. Though he was not mentioned by name as a son of John and Wilmot in their Wills, a through review of all records, by process of elimination, show that this "John Rockwell" is the son of John II and Wilmot.

He came to the New England Colonies with his parents on the ship "Hopewell", departing from Weymouth, England on the 8th of May, 1635. John was about 14 years old when he arrived and finished his teen age years on his parents farm in Windsor, CT. As a young adult he chose to acquire his own land and left Windsor for the opportunities offered at the new settlement of Stamford, CT. Stamford was founded in 1641 by agreement with the New Haven Colony. It was located on the Conneticut coast of Long Island Sound, only 21 miles from New Amsterdam (in 1664 New Amsterdam was taken from the Dutch by the English and named, New York City).

"The History of Stamford", by Huntington, states that John was the 39th on the list of the first 59 settlers at Stamford, CT. by the end of 1642. John owned 2 acres and a parcel of woodland. One of the first official acts of the "Town Council" was to require that each land owner fence in his property before April 1st, 1642. Those who did not complete their fencing had to pay a fine for every rod of fence incompleted. They also laid out a "main street" and required the land owners clear the trees from the projected path.

About 1653 he married Elizabeth Weed in Stamford. Elizabeth was the eldest daughter of Jonas and Mary Weed.

In 1656 he is shown in court records in Stamford where he gave testimony in a legal case. Early land records also mention a locality referred to as "Rockwell Ridge", which we assume is land which John Rockwell owned or lived near. In 1657John sold land to a Garret Rivis. At a Town Meeting on the 19th of February, 1667/68, it was voted that "John Rockwell, sen., shall have liberty to mow and have the grass of the meadow upon Noroton Islands, as long as he shall live in Stamford." "Noroton Islands" is a "point" or pennisula of land jutting into Long Island Sound, about 4 miles east of Stamford.

John did not do much mowing on Noroton Island because in 1669, he conveyed his house and home lot to Daniel Weed, and his farm land to Daniel Wescott. He then moved with his family to Rye, Westchester County, New York. In the early records he is shown as owning land at Rye, at "Budd's Neck, east of Joseph Horton". John Budd built the first grain mill in Rye in 1665, about 1/2 mile inland from the beach. This land became known as "Budds Neck", and part of it was evidently purchased by John Rockwell.

John died 10 March, 1673 in Rye. The General Court at Hartford in review of his estate on 18 May , 1677 state:

> "---being informed to their sattisfaction of the necessity of the selling of the land of John Rockwell, late of Rye, to pay his just debts and for the supply of his wife and children, doe impower the relict of sayd Rockwell and Daniel Weed to make sale of the sayd Rockwell's land, and to grant assureance of the same." (Public Record of Conn., Vol. II, pg 313)

Elizabeth, John's wife, did not live to get the benefits from the sale of his property. She died about 1676 in Rye. A difficulty occurred in the selling of his land, and it was not settled for 30 years! In 1707, Jonathan Rockwell of Norwalk, (John's son) acknowledged satisfaction received from Phillip, son of Garit Traves of Rye, "concerning a dispute a lotment of upland and parcel of salt medow belonging to it on Budd's Neck formerly possessed by his deceased father John Rockwell of Rye."

THE FAMILY OF ELIZABETH WEED

The Weed family may be outlined as shown:

JONAS WEED
b c1575 - d ??

MARY JANE DAVIDSON
b c1580 - d ??

JONAS WEED JR.
b c1606 Stanwick, England
d 7 Nov 1676 Stamford, CT.

MARY (possibly HOYT or SCOFIELD)
b c1616 Stanwick, England
d 10 Mar 1689 Stamford CT.

m c1636 in CT.

ELIZABETH WEED
b c1637 Weathersfield, Hartford County, CT.
d c1676 Rye, Westchester County, New York

JOHN ROCKWELL III
bapt 22 Jul 1621 England
d1673, Rye, NY

m c1653

Jonas Weed Jr., Elizabeth's father, came to New England aboard the ship "Arbella" of which he may have been part owner. In June, 1630, he arrived in the Colonies and settled in Watertown, MA. where he was made a "freeman" on 18 May, 1631. In 1635 he was one of the first settlers in Wethersfield, CT., and later, in 1641, was one of the founders of Stamford, CT. Jonas appears in early Stamford lists as an owner of livestock, and in 1667 as a landowner. Jonas gave his home to his son, Jonas III, who had married Bethia Holly. Jonas' Will was dated 26 November, 1672 and he died in 1676, when his Will was inventoried. His Will mentions his wife, Mary, and his children as follows:

1. John Weed - married 1st Joanna Westcott who d prior to 1678. 4 children. m 2nd Mary ___ and had 4 more children. John d 1689/90.
2. Mary Weed - m George Abbott.
3. Daniel Weed - m Mary _____ who d 1 Apr, 1714. Elected to the Conneticut Legislature 1694-1696. d Stamford 29 Nov 1697. 4 sons and 1 daughter.
4. Jonas Weed III -
5. Dorcas Weed - b c1640. m James Wright 20 Nov 1660. d Wethersfield 24 Dec 1692.
6. Samuel Weed - m Mary ____. d Danbury in 1708. At least 4 children.
7. **Elizabeth Weed - b c1637 Weathersfield. m John Rockwell.**
8. Sarah Weed - in her father's Will she would be due an inheritance "if she return to the truth"; probably a reference to religious faith.
9. Hannah Weed - b c1650. m Benjamin Hoyt on 5 Jan 1670. d Stamford 9 Nov 1711.
10. (child) - bd 15 Jul 1656.

Jonas' wife, Mary and sons, John and Daniel, were named as "Exec'rs" for his estate. His Will also gave to ---"**John Rockwell**, five shillings, and 5 pounds in Daniel's hands for **Elizabeth**" - Elizabeth being his daughter who married John Rockwell III.

Jonas' widow, Mary, had her Will inventoried on 10 Mar 1689/90. This would indicate that she died late 1688 or early 1689.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL III & ELIZABETH WEED

I. HANNAH ROCKWELL - b c1654, probably in Stamford, CT. m John Marshall about 1672. John was married 3 times: his 1st wife was Sarah Webb, his 2nd wife was Hannah Rockwell, and his 3rd wife was Elizabeth Lyon. Hannah d c1674 probably in Greenwich, CT. shortly after the birth of her first child.

A. Hannah Marshall - b c1673.

II. MEHETABLE ROCKWELL - b "a child of John Rockwell" died in Stamford, CT on 14 Sep 1656.

III. (not named) ROCKWELL - " a child of John Rockwell". d 31 May 1658, probably a newborn.

IV. SARAH ROCKWELL - b c1656, probably in Stamford, CT. m John Crampton 8 Oct 1676 in Norwalk, CT. John was b c1658. Their 4 children were all born in Norwalk, CT.

A. Seelar (Sarah) Crampton - b 10 Sep 1679.
B. Abigail Crampton - b 9 Aug 1681.
C. John Crampton - b 7 Jan 1683.
D. Samuel Crampton - b 25 Dec 1684.

V. MEHETABLE (HITTABEL) ROCKWELL - b 31 Mar 1656/57 in Stamford, CT. Married 1st John Keeler, a son of Ralph Keeler of Norwalk, CT. on 18 Jun 1679. The family settled in Norwalk. John Keeler died and Mehetable married 2nd Zerubbabel Hoyt (b c1652 - d c1732) sometime prior to 1725. Zerubbabel had been married before and had 3 sons and 3 daughters. All three sons married Mehetable's daughters from her first marriage, and 1 daughter married her son, John Keeler Jr - 4 step-brother/sisters married 4 step-brothers/sisters! Mehetable died 21 Apr 1755 in Ridgefield, CT.

A. Elizabeth Keeler - b 19 Mar 1678 in Norwalk. Elizabeth is John Keeler's daughter by his first marriage. Elizabeth m Deacon Daniel Hoyt.
B. John Keeler Jr. - b 26 Dec 1682 in Norwalk. m Rhoad Hoyt on 19 Apr 1710. m 2nd Sarah Lockwood, widow of John Finch, on 8 Jan 1756. John d 11 Jul 1763.
    1. Abigail Keeler - b 27 Mar 1712. died young.
    2. Jehu Keeler - b c1715. m 1st Lydia Lockweed. m 2nd Hannah Banton.
    3. Luke Keeler - b c1718. m Mary St. John.
    4. Rhoda Keeler - b c1719. m Abraham Nash in 1738. 11 children.
    5. Abigail Keeler - b c1720. m Nehemiah Gruman.
    6. Elizabeth Keeler - b c1722. m Joseph Truesdell.
C. Mehitable Keeler - b c1685 in Norwalk. m 1st Joseph Blatchley. m2nd Caleb Hoyt on 25 Feb 1707. 7 children.
D. Hannah Keeler - b c1687 in Norwalk. m Matthew Gregory who was b 17 Dec 1689 in Norwalk. They were m c1710. d 29 Jun 1767.
    1. Matthew Gregory Jr. - b c1711. m 1st Rebecca Stuart. m 2nd Elizabeth Raymond. m 3rd Hannah Benedict. 9 children.
    2. Hannah Gregory - b 24 Aug 1711. m David Marvin. 9 children.
    3. Sarah Gregory - b c 1718.
    4. Daniel Gregory - b c1720.
    5. Jemima Gregory - b c1722. m Ebenezer Keeler.
    6. Erza Gregory - b 21 Feb 1726 Norwalk. m Hannah Betts.
E. Sarah Keeler - b c1683 in Norwalk. m Joseph Hoyt. 7 children.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL III & ELIZABETH WEED continued:

F. David Keeler - b c1692 in Norwalk. m Mary St. John on 14 Aug 1721. d prior to 1776 in Wilton, CT.
  1. David Keeler - b 4 Aug 1721. d c1741 unmarried.
  2. John Keeler - b 22 Mar 1723/24 in Wilton, CT. m 1st Ruth St. John on 14 Nov 1749 (0 children). m 2nd Sarah Pardee on 6 May 1751 (2 children). m 3rd Abigail Copley on 16 May 1754 (4 children). d in Stevensville, Bradford Co., PA.
  3. Mary Keeler - b 10 Oct 1725. m 1st Richard Olmstead. m 2nd Vivius Dauchy.
  4. Ezra Keeler - b 4 Jan 1728. d c1729 as an infant.
  5. Ezra Keeler - b 22 Mar 1730. m Mary Betts on 20 Nov 1758. d in New York State. 5 children.
  6. James Keeler - b c1732. m Abigail Mead on 4 Mar 1758. 5 children.
  7. Phebe Keeler - b c1734. m Lemuel DeForest on 26 Dec 1751. 1 daughter.
  8. Thaddeus Keeler - b c1737. m Rebecca Keeler, daughter of Samuel Keeler, on22 Dec 1763. 6 children.

G. Daniel Keeler - b c1695. m Hannah Whitney c1730. Daniel was a farmer in Norwalk, CT. d c Nov 1764. 11 children all born between 1730 and 1748. Hannah m 2nd _______ Betts and d c1766.

H. Jemima Keeler - b c1697. m Ebenezer Canfield. He d c1720, no children. Jemima m 2nd ________ Benedict.

I. Silas Keeler - b c1700. Evidently d as an infant.

J. Ruth Keeler - b c1702. m Capt Matthew Benedict on 8 Dec 1727in Ridgefield, CT. d 25 Sep 1763 in Ridgefield. 9 children.

VI. JONATHAN ROCKWELL I - born c1665 in Stamford, Fairfield co., CT. Married Abigail Canfield in Norwalk, CT in April 1700/1701. Jonathan is the next generation in our Rockwell line.

VII. THOMAS ROCKWELL - b c1667 in Stamford. m Sarah Resco (Rusco), the daughter of John Resco and Rebecca Beebe, on 9 Dec 1703. Sarah was b c1680. Thomas died in June 1712, a year after they moved to Ridgefield, CT., where he purchased land from Benjamin Hickock (who was one of the original 27 land owners) on 9 Jul 1711. Sarah m 2nd Richard Osborn, the son of David Osborn from Eastchester, NY.

A. Sarah Rockwell - b 21 Oct 1704 in Norwalk. m Joseph Hobart 20 May 1723 in Ridgefield. 5 or 6 children.

B. Thomas Rockwell - b 13 Dec 1708 in Norwalk. m Ruth Benedict on 18 May 1732 in Ridgefield. Ruth was the daughter of Deacon James Benedict and Sarah Hyatt. Ruth was b 3 Dec 1711 in Ridgefield, and died 22 Jun 1807 at the age of 95. Thomas owned a large tract of land in South Salem, NY which he passed on to his sons, Thomas and Thaddeus. d 4 Nov 1789 in Ridgefield.
  1. Ruth Rockwell - b 1 Mar 1733. d 13 Oct 1734. Twin of Sarah.
  2. Sarah Rockwell - b 1 Mar 1733. m 17 Feb 1752 Thomas Seymour (b 1727 - d 16 Feb 1812) the son of Matthew Seymour and Hannah Smith. d 27 Apr 1814. 9 children.
  3. Hannah Rockwell - b 24 Feb 1736. m 3 Sep 17__ to Ezekiel Wilson. d 8 Apr 1765. 4 children.
  4. Ruth Rockwell - b 30 Nov 1737 in Ridgefield. m Josiah Stebbins. d 15 Oct 1766. 5 children.
  5. Phoebe Rockwell - b 14 Oct 1739. m Joseph Mead. 2 children: Hannah and Phebe.
  6. Thankful Rockwell - b 25 Feb 1743. Possibly m in 1760 her sister's widower, Joseph Mead. 1 son.
  7. Martha Rockwell - b 12 May 1744. m Sammuel Olmsted III on 24 Feb 1767. d 29 Jul 1784. 11 children.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN ROCKWELL III & ELIZABETH WEED continued:

8. Thomas Rockwell III - b 16 Jan 1746. m 1st Rhianna Hubb (Rull). m 2nd Ruth Whitlock. Thomas served in the Revolution in the Berkshire Co. Militia for 23 days during the battle at Stillwater, NY. Thomas and his sons were the first settlers in Taylor, Cortland Co., NY, moving there from Lennox, MA in 1793. 2 or 3 generations of this family lived in what is now Cortland Co. d 15 Aug 1812. 6 children.
9. James Rockwell - b 9 Jun 1750. m Abigail Hawley on 17 Oct 1769. A Revolutionary War veteran. d 25 Nov 1808. 10 children.
10. Dorcas Rockwell - b 12 Feb 1752 in Ridgefield. d 17 Mar 1759.
11. Thaddeus Rockwell - b 23 Nov 1753 Ridgefield. m Mehetable Smith 26 Aug 1770 in South Salem, NY. A Rev War veteran. d in 1828. Mehetable was born 14 Feb 1751 and d in 1801. 6 children.

C. John Rockwell - b 9 Jan 1709 Norwalk. m Abigail Belden on 17 Aug 1733. d 25 May 1737. Abigail d 7 May 1739.
    1. John Rockwell - b 3 Sep 1734.
    2. Thomas Rockwell - b 27 Aug 1736.

D. Jabez Rockwell - b 18 Mar 1712 in Ridgefield, 3 months before his father died. Jabez m Keziah ____ on 6 Jul 1737. He d 29 Aug 1757 and his wife was appointed administrator of his estate on 6 Feb 1758 by the Probate Court in Danbury, CT.
    1. Mary Rockwell - b 23 Aug 1733.
    2. Rebecca Rockwell - b 8 Mar 1734.
    3. Josiah Rockwell - b 11 Jul 1737.
    4. Jabez Rockwell Jr. - b 1 Jul 1740. m 1st Elizabeth Sperry on 30 Jun 1759 (4 children). He moved to Danbury, CT and m 2nd Phoebe Bediet on 11 Oct 1778. They moved to Butternuts, Otsego Co., NY in 1783. (2 Children). m 3rd Elizabeth Andrus and settled in Guilford, NY (1 child). A Rev War veteran. Descendants of this family lived in the Butternuts, NY area through the 1800s.

VIII. JOSEPH ROCKWELL - b c1670 in Norwalk. Married about 1706 to Mary _______ who was b c1670. Joseph purchased land in Norwalk, CT. on 11 Nov 1706 which he in turn sold on 15 Mar 1713/14. Joseph died in 1714 and his estate was inventoried on 11 Jan 1715 in Norwalk and Joseph's brother, Jonathan Rockwell was appointed Guardian of their oldest son, Joseph Jr. Joseph's widow remarried in 1719 to William Parker and had 2 additional children. In 1719 the Court ruled that Mary's 2nd husband was wasting Joseph's estate and the court appointed Jonathan as Guardian of the other 4 remaining Rockwell children.

A. Joseph Rockwell Jr. - b 11 Nov 1706 in Norwalk. m Sarah Mead. d 24 Jan 1749. Sarah d 2 Apr 1745 in Wilton, CT.
    1. Joseph Rockwell - b c1740. m Wait Raymond. He was a Lieutenant in the Rev. War. d Oct 1825.

B. Hannah Rockwell - b 20 Jun 1708.

C. Jonah Rockwell - b Sep 1710. A physician. m Dorothy Cole. d c1740. 5 children.

D. Simeon Rockwell - b May 1712. Was in Danbury, CT in 1750. "Simeon went West". The name of his wife is unknown.
    1. Simeon Gaylord Rockwell - b 2 Sep 1793.

E. Noah Rockwell - b c1714. A physician. m Mercy ______.
    1. John Rockwell - b . m Mirion Higgins 15 Jan 1758.
    2. Joseph Rockwell - b . m Sarah Mead 14 Apr 1762.

THE SETTLEMENT OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT

In the year 1697, ten men from the town of Norwalk, CT., petitioned the Colonial Courts for the right to purchase land from the Indians and to "lay out" a new town in an area north of Norwalk. It took them until 1706, to get action from the Courts, and have the requested land "viewed". Finally, in September, 1708, their petition to purchase the land from the Indians was granted, the money collected, and a deed written that contained the names of 32 men. Twenty nine of these men were residents of Norwalk, and three resided in nearby Milford, CT and were relatives of some of the Norwalk petitioners.

During the 11 years that it took to get permission to settle the new town, eight of the original ten men had either died, moved, or changed their minds. The final purchasers were all new people, except two, John Beldin Jr., and Samuel Keeler Sr. But even then everything was not completed. On the 1st of November, 1708, lots were "laid out" by a committee. These lots were 2 1/2 acres each for "home lots", plus 5 acres to the rear of each for gardens and outbuildings. The name of this new Town was RIDGEFIELD.

On the 25th of November, 1708, a lottery drawing was held and 25 lots were assigned as shown on the following pages. Our **Jonathan Rockwell I** was drawn to own lot #3. Lot #5 was reserved for a Minister, and lot # 20 went to Matthew Seymour who established a tradingpost/store. Samuel Keeler Sr. built his original home on Lot #25 in 1709 and was expanded to form, what is today, Keeler Tavern, a State Historical Site in Ridgefield. In 1710 this lot was sold to **Jonathan Rockwell** who held it for 2 years. It then went through several owners and eventually back to the Keeler family in 1769. It was opened as "Keeler's Inn" in 1772.

Since there was still some land left over, an additional 2 1/2 to 5 acres as added to each lot for "plow land". The official Grant to lay out the town was issued on 13 October, 1709. The Grant restricted them to 28 families for a period of 4 years. It took until 1714 to get the final official patents awarded to the lot holders. Government "paper tie-ups" are not New!

The ownership of the lots shifted, and some of the new owners were Joseph Benedict in 1709, **Thomas Rockwell, brother of Jonathan, in 1711,** and Benjamin Burt, a blacksmith, in 1712. By 1716, there was a blacksmith, an inn, a minister, and a grist mill; all the Town "necessities". Ridgefield had many streams and 10 natural ponds and lakes to provide water. All the land, but the home and plow land was held as "common land" until 1760, when the "common land" was distributed among the various landowners who were then allowed to fence in their own farms.

It is interesting to note that many of the original 29 lot owners in Ridgefield were related to each other by blood or marriage, or both. In the next two generations in Ridgefield, these inter-relationships increased many times over.

A REVIEW OF EARLY RIDGEFIELD LAND OWNERSHIP RECORDS

Probably about the mid-1800s, the existing land transaction records were reviewed and indexed alphabetically by name. One index was by "Grantee", those who recieved ownership of the plot of land, and one index by "Grantor", those who gave up ownership of the land. A copy of one of these index pages is shown on the following page. It should be noted that the "Date of Record" shown is the date the transaction was RECORDED. In some cases the actual transaction took place between the individuals involved, but was not recorded until much later.

DIRECT INDEX TO DEEDS.

GRANTOR.

GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	Book.	Page.	Character of Deed.	Date of Record.			Location of Property.
					Month.	Day.	Year.	
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Rockwell Jonathan	Samuel Keeler Senr	1	28		Jan	25	1710	
Rockwell Jonathan	Daniel Hayt	1	39		Jan	6	1712	
Rockwell Jonathan	Ebenezer Smith	1	55		Jan	1	1716	
Rockwell Jabez	George Holloway	1	91		Mch	20	1738	
Rockwell Jonathan	Benjamin Stebbins	1	99		Mch	26	1717	
Rockwell Jonathan	Alexander Resseguie	1	109		Mch	17	1723	
Rockwell Jonathan and Haight Benjamin	Samuel Saint John	1	114		Feb	9	1722	
Rockwell Jonathan	Daniel Sherwood	1	162		Mch	25	1721	
~~Rockwell Jonathan~~	~~Alexander Resseguie~~	~~1~~	~~172~~		~~"~~	~~13~~	~~1721~~	
Rockwell Jonathan	Benjamin Stebbins	1	176		Jan	27	1721	
Rockwell Jonathan	Nathan Saint John	2	24		Mch	28	1724	
Rockwell Jonathan	Benjamin Hayt	2	47		Apr	23	1725	
Rockwell Jonathan	Benjamin Rockwell	2	45		"	17	1727	
Rockwell Jonathan	Joshua Lobdell	2	69		Jan	31	1729	
Rockwells Johnathan	Heir. Recompence Thomas	2	120		"	29	1732	
Rockwell Benjamin	Benjamin Hayt	2	138		May	8	1733	
Rockwell John	Benjamin Hayt	2	138		"	"	1733	
Rock Davi	Benjami Hayt	"				"	1733	

A review of these indexes show that **Jonathan Rockwell I,** his sons (**Benjamin, John, Jonathan II,** and **Thomas)**, and later, some of his grandsons (3 Rockwell generations) : - - -

-- Acquired deeds to 286 additional plots of land between the years 1712 and 1814.
-- Gave up deeds to 310 plots of land between 1710 and 1814.

These transactions were for a variety of reasons: --

-- The actual **sale** of the land to a 2nd party.
  i.e. **Jonathan Rockwell I** sold property to Samuel Keeler Senr on Jan 25, 1710.
-- The **division/transfer** of the property to heirs of the deceased owner by the Executor.
  i.e. **Jonathan Rockwell I Heirs** sold land to Recompence Thomas on Jan 29, 1732.
-- The **granting** of additional property by the Town based upon the original Ridgefield Charter to an original property owner or his heirs, at the time of the new additional grant.
  i.e. **Jonathan Rockwell I** recieved additional property from the Town on Jan 12, Apr 17, and Dec 19, 1721. **Thomas Rockwell's Heirs** recieved additional property on Apr 11, and May 30, 1717.

About a quarter of these Rockwell land tranactions were the transfer of property between 2 Rockwells: a father giving land to a son, or between cousins or brothers. It is very difficult to determine the true identity of the persons shown in these transactions because there were multiple persons with the same name living in Ridgefield at the same time. For example:

--There were 11 acquisitions and 14 disposals of property for **"Jonathan Rockwell"** and **"Jonathan Rockwell Heirs"** between 1710 and 1738. We can ASSUME this was **Jonathan Rockwell I** in that he was an original settler in c1708 and died in 1731.
-- There were 20 acquisitions (1732 - 1775) and 21 disposals of property (1733 - 1770) for **'Jonathan Rockwell'.** We can ASSUME that most of these transactions were for **Jonathan Rockwell II** who lived in Ridgefield all his life (b17II - d1784). However some of the later transactions may pertain to his son, **Jonathan Rockwell III** who turned 20 years of age in 1758 and departed Ridgefield sometime between 1760 -1770.

Only 14 of these 596 "Rockwell" transactions named a FEMALE Rockwell.
-- 3 of these were for Elizabeth Rockwell and her estate (1789, 1793, 1796)
-- 3 for Ruth Rockwell, possibly the widow of Benjamin, (1765, 1792, 1795)
-- 3 for Abigail Rockwell in 1814
-- 2 for Lucinda Rockwell in 1814
-- 1 for Rebecca Rockwell in 1761
-- 2 for Esther Rockwell deeding property to Daniel and Abraham Rockwell on Jan 31, 1774.
  This Esther is probably not the wife of **Jonathan Rockwell II**.

As a final note about Ridgefield: -- In January, 1775, as political strife built prior to the American Revolution, the town voted to remain loyal to the Crown. After the Battles at Lexington, Concord, and Bunker Hill, the town's attitude slowly shifted, and in December, 1775, they voted to support the American cause!

as followeth. Begining on ye East Tear of Lotts ye Southermost Lott joyning to ye Land laid out for a Burying Yard Calling that Lott ye first in Numbr & Sucessively Northward to ye 12th Lott and then begining at ye Northermost Lott on ye West Tear Numbering said Lott ye thirteenth Lott and so Sucessively Southward to ye Twenty fifth Lott; the Draught of Which Lottery is as followeth

	No.		
Samuel Saint John	1	John Sturdevant	14
Samuel Keeler Junr	2	Thomas Hyot	15
Jonathan Rockwell	3	Benjamin Wilson	16
Thomas Canfield	4	Benjamin Hickcock	17
The proprietors Reserve	5	Matthew Saint John	18
Matthias Saint John	6	Joseph Keeler	19
Joseph Whitne	7	Matthew Seamor	20
Samuell Smith of Milford	8	James Bennedick	21
James Brown	9	Joseph Crampton	22
John Belden	10	Samuell Smith	23
Richard Olmsted	11	Daniel Olmsted	24
Thomas Smith	12	Samuell Keeler senr	25
Jonathan Stevens	13		

Recorded February 9th 1709/10
Pr John Copp Recordr

At A Meeting of ye said Proprietors Convened March the 1st 1708/9
The proprietors by A Major Vote Do agree upon A Division of plow Land to be Layd out as Soone as may be

At the said Meeting ye Proprietors by A Major Vote have Chosen Mr Samuell Keeler senr. Matthias Saint John and Samuell Smith for their Comitte. To take A View of What Lands are suitable to Lay out for a Division of Plow Land within ye Limitts of one Mile & A half from the Center of ye Town plott. And Lay out what Land they sd find into such Divisions as ye Land will Allow of According to ye Number of proprietors - - - - -

Recorded February 9th 1709/10 Pr John Copp Recordr

At A Meeting Conveind of said Proprietors March 28: 1709
The said Comitte Makes Return of their Doeings on the Land found within ye Limitts Stated in ye Vote passed March ye 1st as above said. fixing upon Six Acres to A Division And Accordingly to their best Skill and Judgment have Layd out A Number of Divisions Equall to ye Number of proprietors. — Alowing to some Divisions more Measure then ye Sixt quantety to Equallize them with the better ~~Land~~ Divisions The said Comitte presenting a Plott of ye said Divisions Layd out by them in the following order: as they are Numbered and Described. Which Order of Number is th:

Accepted of by the said proprietors for a Lottery to be made and Drawn upon ye same for ye Distribution of said Division unto ye proprietors thereof —

Which Plott & Description is as followeth.

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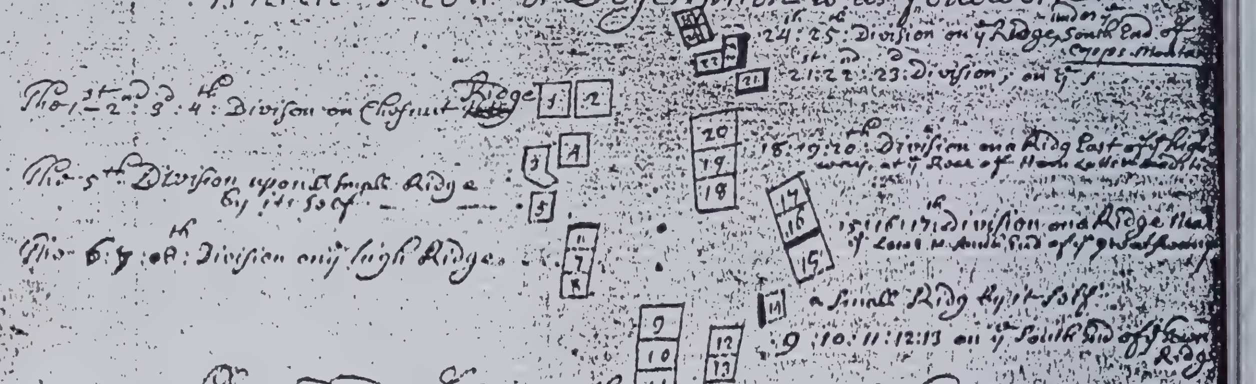
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Recorded Febuary 9th 1709/10 pr John Copp Recordr

The Draught of which Division is as followeth

	Numb		Numb
Benjamin Hickcock	1	Joseph Whitne	14
Samuell Smith Milford	2	Samuell Saint John	15
Benjamin Wilson	3	Matthias Saint John	16
Samuell Keeler Senr	4	Thomas Smith	17
James Brown	5	Matthew Seamor	18
Matthew Saint John	6	Thomas Hyot	19
Thomas Canfield	7	John Belden	20
The proprietors Reserve	8	Joseph Keeler	21
Jonathan Rockwell	9	Samuell Keeler Junr	22
Jonathan Stevens	10	James Bennedick	2
Daniel Olmsted	11	Richard Olmsted	2
John Sturdevant	12	Samuell Smith	2
Joseph Crampton	13		

Recorded February 9th 1709/10 pr John Copp Recordr

At a Meeting of ye said Proprietors Convened in Ridgfield Decembr 28th 1709.

Whereas ye Comittee of ye Plow Land Division found it Necessary to allow to som Divisions more Measure than the fixt quantety of Six Acres as by their Return made March 28th 1709 Doth Express with ye Reasons for their so doeing. In Consideration of which

The said proprietors at ye said Meeting by a Major Vote Do Grant that the said Division of Plow Land as it is Layd out & Bounded by ye said Comittee, Shall to Each proprietor ye same as now by lot belongs too, be Recorded to him his heirs and assigns. Provided that ye said proprietor will be at ye Charge to Improve ye Comittee Chosen & Appointed to Measure such Divisions over again, that ye full quantety might be known & so Recorded — Also What said Divisions if any, be found wanting of ye fixt & Stated Number of Six Acres, shall by said Comittee be made up to ye proprietor thereof in adding so much to the said Division as it can be, or Else where it may suite ye said proprietor

OUR FIFTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JONATHAN ROCKWELL I & ABIGAIL CANFIELD

Jonathan Rockwell I is the eldest son of John Rockwell III and Elizabeth Weed. Jonathan was born about 1665 in Stamford, Fairfield Co., CT. When he was about 4 years old, he and his parents moved to Rye, New York. Both of his parents died when Jonathan was about 11 or 12 years old. In those days, when this happened, and it was not uncommon, all other family members stepped in and assumed the responsibility of caring for the widow/widower and orphaned children. We assumed that Jonathan and his brothers and sisters were cared for by their aunts and uncles. When Jonathan was about 21 years old he acquired a lot in Norwalk, CT. and his name appears on a list of "valuations" dated 3 June, 1687, which shows his property valued at 50 pounds.

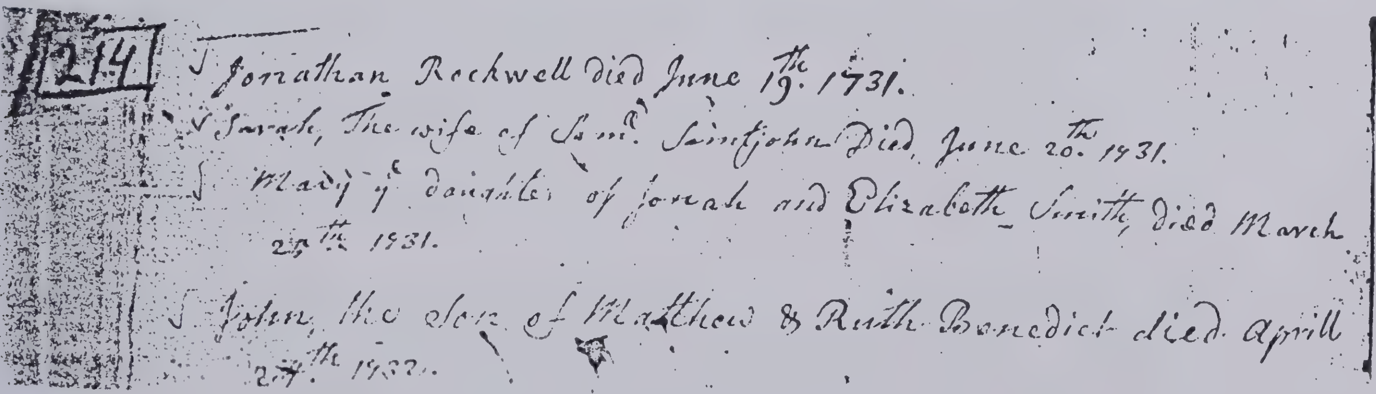
Jonathan married Abigail Canfield in Norwalk in April 1700/01. Abigail was the 2nd of the 5 children of Samuel Canfield and Elizabeth Merwin, and was born 19 April 1672 in Norwalk. After living in Norwalk for about 21 years, Jonathan and Abigail decided to move, this time to the new settlement of Ridgefield, about 13 miles north of Norwalk.

As mentioned on the preceeding pages, "The Settlement of Ridgefield, Connecticut", Jonathan and his family were one of the first groups of settlers, being awarded Lot #3 in 1709. These transactions were recorded in Deed Book 1 of the Town of Ridgefield. Later on, Jonathan held many public offices in the Town and appears in many early records. Appendix C of this book gives a random sample of the many land transactions which involved Jonathan.

About 1711, it appears that Jonathan's brother, Thomas, joined Jonathan in Ridgefield, but died a year later. Jonathan and Abigail probably assisted Thomas' widow, Sarah, and her 4 children until she remarried.

When Jonathan's brother, Joseph died in 1714, Jonathan was appointed Guardian of Joseph's oldest son, Joseph Jr. Joseph's widow, Mary, remarried and had Guardianship of their remaining 4 children. In 1719 the Court ruled that Mary's 2nd husband was wasting Joseph's estate and the Court appointed Jonathan as Guardian of the 4 other children.

Jonathan died in Ridgefield on the 19th of June, 1731, about 66 years old. His widow, Abigail, lived only 3 more years and died on 8 July, 1734.



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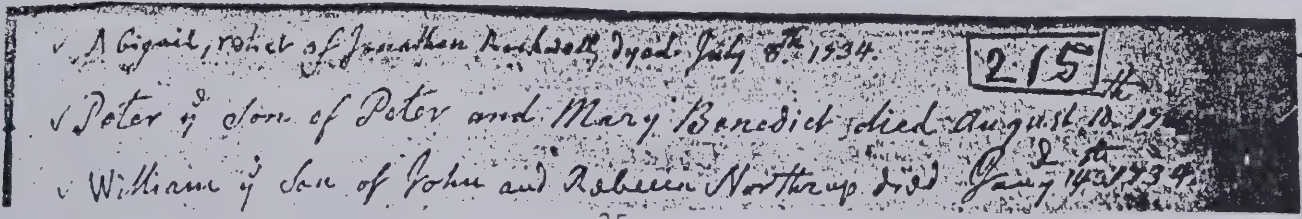
Jonathan Rockwell died June 19th 1731.

Sarah, The wife of Saml. Saintjohn Died June 20th 1931.

Mary ye daughter of Jonah and Elizabeth Smith, died March 25th 1931.

John, the son of Matthew & Ruth Benedict died Aprill 27th 1932.

The death of Jonathan and Abigail as recorded in Deed Book 1, pgs 214 and 215, Town of Ridgefield.



Abigail, relict of Jonathan Rockwell dyed July 8th 1934.

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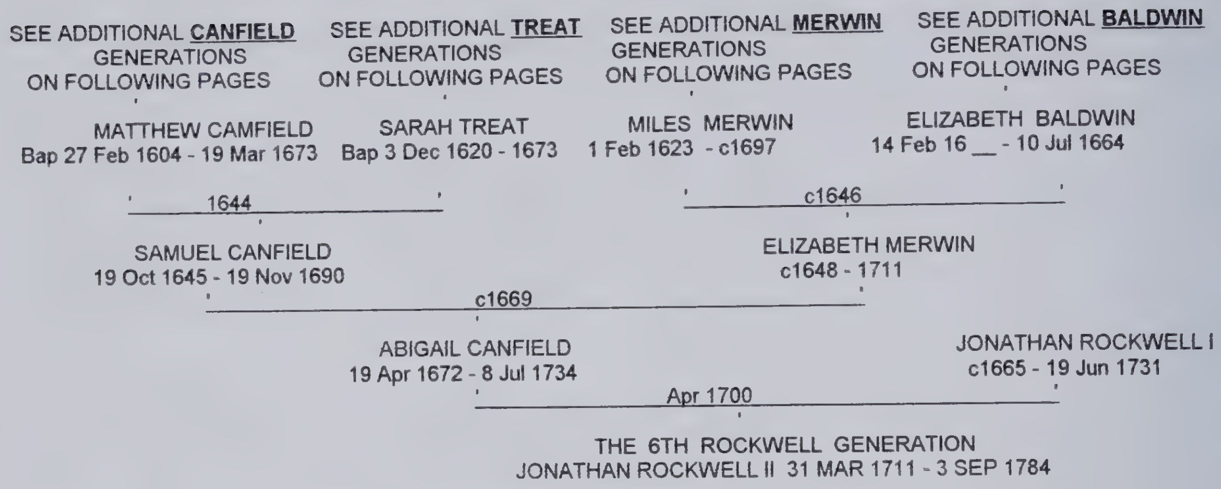
Peter ye son of Peter and Mary Benedict died August 18th 17

William ye son of John and Rebecca Northrup died Jany 14th 1734.

THE FAMILY OF ABIGAIL CANFIELD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MATTHEW CAMFIELD
Bap 27 Feb 1604 - 19 Mar 1673
SARAH TREAT
Bap 3 Dec 1620 - 1673
MILES MERWIN
1 Feb 1623 - c1697
ELIZABETH BALDWIN
14 Feb 16__ - 10 Jul 1664
1644
c1646
SAMUEL CANFIELD
19 Oct 1645 - 19 Nov 1690
ELIZABETH MERWIN
c1648 - 1711
c1669
ABIGAIL CANFIELD
19 Apr 1672 - 8 Jul 1734
JONATHAN ROCKWELL I
c1665 - 19 Jun 1731
Apr 1700
THE 6TH ROCKWELL GENERATION
JONATHAN ROCKWELL II 31 MAR 1711 - 3 SEP 1784

THE CANFIELD (CAMFIELD) FAMILY

The following are 7 generations of the Canfield family that we can identify:

I. JOHN CAMFELD - John Camfeld was born in England. The name of his wife is unknown, and he died on 2 Jul 1522.

II. JOHN CAMFIELD Jr. - b c1520. John lived in Alderton, England and married Isabel ______. Isabel was b c1558. John died c1557.

III. RICHARD CAMFIELD - b c1541 in Harlestone, England. He married Joan _____, who was b c1548. Richard died in 1593 in England.

IV. GREGORY CAMFIELD - b c1574. In 1603 he married Joan _______ (b c1575 Harleston - d 1660). He lived in Harleston and was a mason by trade. Gregory's Will was probated on 15 Aug 1635 in Northampton Shire and mentions his children: Elizabeth, Jane, Merrill, Joane, Richard, who was named Executor, and Matthew.

V. MATTHEW CAMFIELD (CANFIELD, CAMPFIEL) - bap 27 Feb 1604 in St Andrews Church in Hertford Shire, England. The entry in the Church record for 1604 reads: "Matthew Calmfeild the sonne of Gregory Calmfeild and Joan his wife was baptized ye 27th of February". Matthew later lived in Harlestone, Northampton, England until about 1630. He is named in a Royal Charter granting them the rights and privileges to settle in the New England Colonies. Mattthew came to New England about 1630 and settled in New Haven, CT. There he married **Sarah Treat** about 1644. Matthew deeded his land in New Haven, CT. to his son, Samuel, and then moved to Norwalk, CT. where he was a Deputy for Norwalk from 1654-1667. Matthew then moved to Newark, NJ. about 1667 where he died on 19 Mar 1673.

VI. SAMUEL CANFIELD (CAMFIELD) - b 19 Oct 1645 in New Haven, CT., the eldest son of Matthew and Sarah. He had a house and 4 acres of land that was transferred to him by his father, Matthew, in Norwalk. Samuel married **Elizabeth Merwin** about 1669, possibly in Norwalk. He died in Norwalk on 19 Nov 1690. They had 5 children, 4 of whom lived to be married: Ebenezer b 14 Feb 1670, **Abigail** b 19 Apr 1672, Matthew b 1675 who died young, Samuel b May 1679, and Jedediah b Aug 1682.

Elizabeth, the wife of Samuel Camfield has often been identified as the daughter of Francis and Sarah Willoughby. This is an error that has been widely published. Careful research has shown that the Willoughbys did not have a daughter named Elizabeth. Our Elizabeth is specifically named in the settlement of her father's estate (Miles Merwin) as "Elizabeth Camfield". The Elizabeth who married Samuel Camfield was a MERWIN, not a WILLOUGHBY.

VII. **ABIGAIL CANFIELD** - b 19 Apr 1672 in Norwalk, CT., the 2nd child of Samuel and Elizabetrh Camfield. Abigail married **Jonathan Rockwell I** in April 1700 in Norwalk, CT. They had 5 children, all born in Norwalk. Abigail died 8 Jul 1734.

THE TREAT (TROTT) FAMILY

The following are 6 generations of the Treat (Trott) family we can identify:

I. JOHN TROTT - was born in England c1458. We have not been able to find the name of his wife or when he died. It is believed that the family lived in Staplegrove, Somerset, England.

II. WILLIAM TROTT - b c 1480 in England. William was married prior to 1508, but we do not know the name of his wife or when he died.

III. RICHARD TROTT - b 1520 in England. Richard married Joanna _______ who was b 1512 and died in 1577. Richard died in 1571.

IV. ROBERT TREAT - b c1544 in England. He married Honora/Honour _______ in 1563. We believe that Robert and his family moved from Staplegrove, Somerset to Pitminster, Somerset, about 1580. Robert d in 1599 probably in Pitminster. They had 8 children, Richard, their son, being the 8th.

V. RICHARD TREAT - Born 28 Aug 1584 in Pitminster England. He married, we believe, 3rd to **Alice/Anna Gaylord** on 27 Apr 1615. It is believed that Richard had been married 1st to a woman whose name has not been discovered. He married 2nd to Joanna ______. Richard and his family came to New England about 1635 and settled in Wethersfield, CT. Richard died 14 Feb 1669, probably in New Haven, CT.

VI. **SARAH TREAT** - Sarah was baptized 3 Dec 1620 in Pitminster, England. She came to the Colonies with her parents and married **Matthew Camfield** in about 1644 in New Haven CT. Sarah died in 1673 in Newark, NJ.

THE GAYLORD FAMILY

The four know generations of the Gaylord family are as follows:

I. NICHOLAS GAYLORD (GAILLARD) - b c1500 in England. He married about 1523 in France or England and is supposed to have died in France c1546.

II. NICHOLAS GAYLORD - Nicholas was b c1525 in Langford, Budville, England. He married Johanne Brixton (Newman) at Pitminster, Somerset, England about 1551. Johanne was born in 1529 and died in 1572 in Pitminister. Her Will was proven on 31 Aug 1572 in Pitminister. Nicholas died 13 Apr 15?? in Pitminister.

III. HUGH GAYLORD - b 1553 probably in Pitminister, England. Hugh married Joan Alwyn (Alice/Giles Alwyn) about 1575. Hugh died 21 Oct, 1614 in Pitminister..

IV. ALICE or ANNA GAYLORD - b c1594. Alice married **Richard Treat** on 27 Apr 1615, probably in Pitminister, England. They came to New England about 1635. Alice died c1675 in CT.

THE MERWIN FAMILY

The 3 known generations of the Merwin family are as follows:

I. GUALTER MERWIN - b c1595 in New Windsor, Berskshire, England. He married **Margaret Tinker** (b1597 - c1625) on 12 Jun 1617 in New Windsor. Margaret was the daughter of John and Sarah Tinker. Gaulter died on 28 Nov 1649 in England.

II. MILES MERWIN - b 1 Feb 1623. Miles was on the ship "Mary and John" with William Rockwell when it sailed from Plymouth, England in 1630 for the New England Colonies. He married **Elizabeth Baldwin** about 1646 in Windsor, CT. Elizabeth was b 14 Feb 16__, and died 10 Jul 1664 in Milford, New Haven, CT. They had 7 children: **Elizabeth** b c1648, John b 13 Jan 1650, Abigail b c1652, Thomas b c1654, Samuel b 21 Aug 1656, Miles Jr. b 14 Dec1658 - d 18 Sep 1724, and Daniel b 28 Jun1661.

Miles married 2nd about 1665 to Sarah Platt and had 4 more children: Mary b 23 Jan 1666, Martha b 23 Jan 1666, Hannah b 15 Nov 1667, and Deborah b 24 Apr 1670. Miles died in Milford, New Haven, CT., on 23 Apr 1697. His estate was settled on 12 May, 1697 and his daughter, Elizabeth, is specifically mentioned as "Elizabeth Camfield".

III. ELIZABETH MERWIN - b c1648 in Milford, CT. She married **Samuel Canfield** about 1669 and she died c1711 in Norwalk, CT.

THE BALDWIN FAMILY

At this time we have not been able to determine who the parents of Elizabeth Baldwin were.

I. ELIZABETH BALDWIN - b 14 Feb 16 __. Elizabeth married Miles Merwin about 1646 in Windsor, CT. She had 7 children and died 10 Jul 1664 about 3 years after the birth of her last child in Milford, New Haven, CT.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL I & ABIGAIL CANFIELD

I. ELIZABETH ROCKWELL - b 7 May 1702 in Norwalk, CT.

II. BENJAMIN ROCKWELL - b 5 Jul 1704 in Norwalk, CT. m in Norwalk to Rebecca Wilson on 14 Apr 1731. Rebecca was the daughter of Benjamin Wilson and Jane Olmstead, his wife. Rebecca was b in 1706. They settled in Ridgefield, CT., where Benjamin was the joint owner, with his brother, Jonathan Rockwell II, in a plot of ground on the main street in 1744. Benjamin was one of 18 persons who organized the Presbyterian Church of South Salem, NY in May 1752. Benjamin died 16 Nov 1787 and Rebecca died 27 Oct 1789, both in South Salem, NY.

- A. Benjamin Rockwell - b 13 Aug 1733 in Ridgefield. m Mary Osborn on 3 Sep 1755 in Westchester, NY. d 31 Jan 1780 in South Salem, NY. 7 children.
- B. Jane Rockwell - b 13 Sep 1735 in Ridgefield. m Seth Hubbell on 28 Sep 1758 in South Salem, NY. d prior to 1788. 1 son.
- C. Nathan Rockwell - b 22 Nov 1737. A farmer and active supporter of the American cause during the Revolution. He was later a Representative in the New York Legislature. He married 1st Sarah Hull on 16 Sep 1762 and they had 5 children. Married 2nd Martha Mead on 7 Aug 1774, the daughter of Benjamin Mead, by whom he had 2 more children. Nathan died 14 Apr 1803, age 65 years, in South Salem, NY.
- D. Deborah Rockwell - b 4 Apr 1738.
- E. Dr. Stephen Rockwell - b 14 Jan 1739.
- F. Jeremiah Rockwell - b 12 Nov 1742.
- G. Job Rockwell - b 21 Jun 1746. Served during the American Revolution and lived in South Salem, NY 1790-1800. m 1st Mary Morehouse on 2 Sep 1766 and they had one son. m 2nd the widow, ______ Monroe on 9 Nov 1801. Job died 21 Aug 1807.
    - 1. Isaac Rockwell - b 10 Dec 1775.
- H. Jeremiah Rockwell - b 12 Nov 1748.
- I. Rebecca Rockwell - b c1750.

III. JOHN (ENSIGN) ROCKWELL - b 28 Apr 1706 in Norwalk. m 1st Elizabeth Keeler (b18 Nov 1708 - d 1767), the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Keeler, on 3 Sep 1731. Elizabeth's father gave his son-in-law, John Rockwell, a farm in 1743 as a token of "love and good will and fatherly affection". Elizabeth died and John married 2nd Esther Hollebert on 22 Nov 1769. They lived in Ridgebury, CT., where he died 4 Jul 1773.

- A. Elizabeth Rockwell - b 25 Jul 1732 in Ridgefield. m Daniel Wildman 28 Oct 1762. Elizabeth d in Bristol, CT. 4 children.
- B. John Rockwell - b 12 May 1734 in Ridgefield. m 1st Hannah Scott on 16 Apr 1754 in Ridgefield. Moved to Lanesborough, MA. m 2nd Lucy Rice Hungerford about 1779. m 3rd "a French Lady". John was a veteran of the American Revolution, and died 6 Sep 1825 in Cornwall, VT.
    - 1. John Rockwell - b 7 Apr 1755. m Rebecca Ives 22 Jul 1777. d 2 Sep 1825 in Cornwall, VT. 9 children.
    - 2. Jeremiah Rockwell - b 19 Jul 1756. A Revolutionary War veteran. m 1st Anna Stearns. 7 children. m 2nd Lucy Eaton. 4 children. m 3rd Abilene Stearns. 2 children. d 28 Aug 1852, age 97.
    - 3. James Rockwell - b 12 Apr 1758. m 1st Mercy Smith. 3 children. m 2nd Widow Scovel. d c1833 Cornwall, VT.
    - 4. Timothy Rockwell - b 20 Dec 1760. m 1st Phebe Chase. m 2nd Widow Skellinger. 7 children.
    - 5. Rachel Rockwell - b 1762. probably died as an infant.
    - ***** 6. Samuel Rockwell - b 28 Oct 1764. m Hannah LaSalle (Lasell). d 24 Jul 1848 in Canton PA. 10 children. See the footnote.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL I & ABIGAIL CANFIELD continued:

7. Hannah Rockwell - b 5 Aug 1766. m David Pratt. d 17 Apr 1844 Canton, PA. 11 children.
8. Betty or Elizabeth Rockwell - b 14 Oct 1768. m 8 Mar 1792 Rufus Mead. d 14 Oct 1848 Cornwall, VT. 3 children.
9. Reuben Rockwell - b 3 Jan 1773. m 1st Sally Sampson 9 Apr 1795. 4 children. m 2nd Huldah Howe on 1 Sep 1805. 2 children. d 16 Nov 1807 Jericho, VT.
10. Mehetabel Rockwell - b 13 Feb 1775. m Caleb Corey. d 21 Apr 1846 Stanbridge East, Quebec, Canada. 10 children.
11. Eleanor Rockwell - b 18 Jun 1780. m Ichabod Delano c1805. d 22 Dec 1822 Sandgate, VT. 2 children.
12. Lucina Rockwell - b c1782. m Josiah Thompson. d Cornwall, VT. At least 1 child.
13. Earl Rockwell - b . d unmarried in Jericho, VT.

C. Daniel Rockwell - b 27 Feb 1735. m Abigail Smith on 18 Dec 1759. d 13 Jun 1795 in Ridgebury, CT. 9 children.

D. Mehitable Rockwell - b 11 Apr 1738 Ridgefield. m Thomas Northrop on 1 Jan 1760 in Ridgefield. d 30 Jul 1808 in Lennox, MA. 4 children.

E. Rachel Rockwell - b 9 Apr 1740 Ridgefield. m Comfort Wildman on 12 Jul 1764 in Danbury, CT. Comfort died of smallpox on 2 Apr 1782. Rachel m 2nd Benjamin Knapp on 4 Jan 1782 in Danbury. d 5 Jul 1825 in Danbury. 7 children.

F. Silas Rockwell - b 25 Sep 1742. d 20 Nov 1760 in Ridgefield.

G. Elijah Rockwell - b 30 Mar 1745 Ridgefield. m 1st Eunice Gray (b 1748 - d 2 Jun 1769) on 18 Nov 1767. m 2nd Rebecca ______. m 3rd Della Jones 22 Apr 1796. d probably in Lanesborough, MA. c1820.

H. Sarah Rockwell - b 24 Jul 1747 Ridgefield. m William Forrester (b 1745 Colerane, Ireland - d 29 Jan 1809) on 8 Dec 1769. d 8 Jan 1832 in Ridgefield. 4 children.

I. Abraham Rockwell - b 5 Oct 1749 Ridgefield. a weaver and farmer. m Esther Riggs (b Nov 1752 - d 7 May 1816) on 29 Nov 1769 in Ridgebury, CT. Esther was the daughter of Miles Riggs and Elizabeth Whitney. d 7 Aug 1818 in Ridgebury. 4 children.

**** **NOTE:** Norman Percival Rockwell, the noted artist descends from this family, 5 generations after Abraham. See the footnote.

J. Eleanor Rockwell - b 13 Jul 1752 Ridgefield. m Capt Nehemiah Keeler (b 24 Jul 1743 - d 28 Oct 1838) on 15 Jun 1772. d 22 Sep 1811 in Ridgefield. Eleanor was declared insane prior to her death. 7 children.

IV. DAVID ROCKWELL - b 8 Apr 1708 in Norwalk. m 1st Elizabeth Hyatt (b 20 Oct 1711 - d 13 Feb 1758 in Ridgefield), the daughter of Thomas Hyatt, on 29 Aug 1731 in Ridgefield. m 2nd Elizabeth Whitney Riggs, the widow of Miles Riggs on 13 Feb 1758, probably in Norwalk, CT. David d 30 May 1788 in Ridgebury, CT.

A. Elizabeth Rockwell - b 4 Jan 1732 in Ridgefield.

B. David Rockwell - b 30 Jan 1734 in Ridgefield. m 1st Mary Atherton on 2 Nov 1760. Mary was b c1736 in Ridgefield. m 2nd Sarah Nickerson. m 3rd Susanna Wooden. David d 5 Jul 1816 in Ridgebury. 10 children.

C. Hannah Rockwell - b 11 Aug 1738 Ridgefield. m Isaac Smith. 5 children.

D. Abigail Rockwell - b 4 Jan 1740. m 1st Joseph Doolittle who was b 25 Jan 1738 in Wallingford, CT. m 2nd Joseph Hall. 12 children.

E. Rebecca Rockwell - b 29 Mar 1741 Ridgefield. m Daniel Purdy.

F. Thomas Rockwell - b 23 May 1745 Ridgefield.

G. Abner Rockwell - b 18 Jan 1747 Ridgefield. m Deborah Carpenter c1768. Served in the American Revolution from Stockbridge, MA. Lived in Tioga Co., NY as a blacksmith. d 26 Mar 1831 in Union, Broome Co., NY. 9 children.

H. Elijah Rockwell - b 30 Mar 174_.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL I & ABIGAIL CANFIELD continued:

- I. Abijah Rockwell - b 1 Jul 1751 in Ridgefield. m Lydia Burchard on 30 Sep 1773. d 19 Aug 1825. 4 children.
- J. Mary Rockwell - b c1753 Ridgefield. m Abraham or Stephen Crittenden. 8 children.
- K. Abiah Rockwell - b c1755 Ridgefield. m James Northrop. 9 children.

V. JONATHAN ROCKWELL II - Born 31 Mar 1711, probably in Ridgefield, CT. Married Esther ______. Died 3 Sep 1784 in Ridgefield, CT. Jonathan is the next generation of our Rockwell line.

It is possible that there were two more children of Jonathan and Abigail, Kezia and Thomas. Their relationship, however, has not been proven.

VI. KEZIA ROCKWELL - b c1713.

VII. THOMAS ROCKWELL - b c1715.

**** III. B. 6. Samuel Rockwell. Samuel and Hannah homesteaded on a farm between Canton and Alba, which is, today, on route 14 in Bradford County PA. Descendants of Samuel's 10 children hold an annual Rockwell Reunion at the Rockwell homestead. In August, 1997, they held their 150th Reunion attended by over 300 people. Some current relatives are:

Ms Bonnie Isaacs, 211 South Elmer Ave., Sayre, PA 18840. Bonnie is a talented genealogist on the Rockwells.
Ms Jan Morrow, 2100 Kenilworth Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90039

**** III. I. Abraham Rockwell. It should be noted that all of the Rockwells on the following pages are COUSINS of Norman Rockwell. My wife, Marjorie Ann Shook Close, is a 6th cousin, once removed from Norman. The picture "A Family Tree" in the front of this book was painted by Norman Rockwell and appeared on the cover of the "Saturday Evening Post" on 24 October, 1959. We can all be proud to be able to claim a relationship to this famous artist!

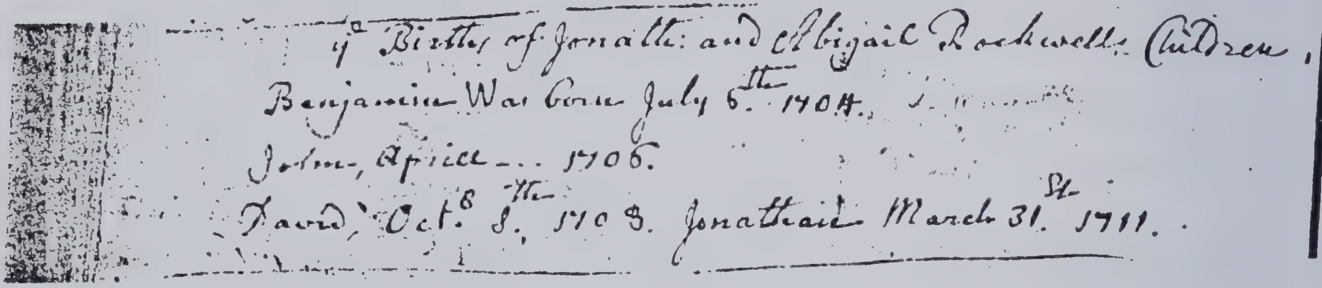
NOTE 1: Observe the number of multiple marriages many of these persons had in this generation. This was also true in previous generations, it just was not as well recorded. It must be remembered that the average life-span of persons born in the 1600 - 1700s was much shorter by at least 30 years, than what we experience today. An early death from the complications of child-birth, disease, armed conflict and accidents were common. Most 2nd or 3rd marriages were the result of the early death of a spouse - divorce was unheard of. Remarriage was an act of "survival" for the widow or widower in that it was almost mandatory, in the primitive living conditions they often faced, to have a two parent family for the mutual support for the basic life necessities. It should also be noted that it appears that the men remarried more often than the women. This is not necessarily true. Remember, in this time period, women were very often "short-changed" in those legal documents that have survived. As a hypothetical example: Mary Rockwell who married Fred Johnson became a widow, and in legal documents she is often referred to as "Widow Johnson", completely losing her given maiden name. Consequently, her remarriage would often be very difficult to relate back to exactly WHO the "Widow Johnson" originally was. POINT: Multiple marriages in the early generations should not be looked upon negatively.

NOTE 2: Look at the number of KNOWN children in these families: Jonathan Rockwell I and Abigail Canfield had 5 proven children, 39 proven grandchildren, and 129 proven great-grandchildren! The actual numbers are probably at least 10% higher! Again, even the surviving records do not always record all births and deaths, especially with deceased children. How many families do you know in the current generations that have that many children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren? Small wonder that there are so many Rockwells today!

MARRIAGE, BIRTH, AND DEATH RECORDS FROM THE RIDGEFIELD BOOK #1 OF DEEDS

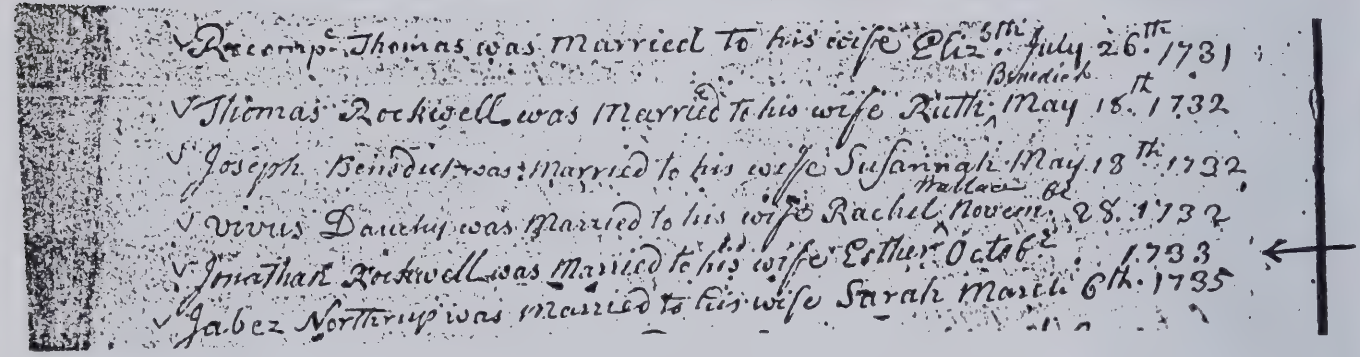
Yes, the early records of Birth, Death, and Marriage for Ridgefield are posted in the Book of Deeds. It appears that many of these entries were made "after-the-fact" in that many of them do not follow in chronological order by date. They may have been copied from some other records, or, more likely, the families were asked for this information some years after the event in order to make it "a matter of record".

Pg 200 Birth of **Jonathan I and Abigail Rockwell**'s children:



ye Births of Jonath: and Abigail Rockwell's Children,
Benjamin Was born July 6th 1704.
John, Aprill ... 1706.
David, Octr 8th 1708. Jonathan March 31st 1711.

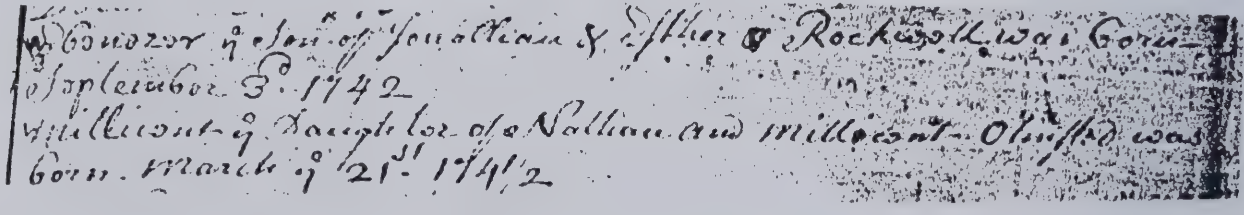
Pg 230 Marriage of Thomas Rockwell to Ruth Benidict on 18 May 1732.
Marriage of **Jonathan Rockwell II to Esther** ______ in October, 1733.



Recomp: Thomas was married to his wife Eliz: 5th July 26th 1731
Thomas Rockwell was married to his wife Ruth Benedick May 18th 1732
Joseph Benedict was married to his wife Susannah May 18th 1732
Vivus Dauchy was married to his wife Rachel Wallace Novemr 28. 1732
Jonathan Rockwell was married to his wife Esther Octobr 1733
Jabez Northrup was married to his wife Sarah March 6th 1735

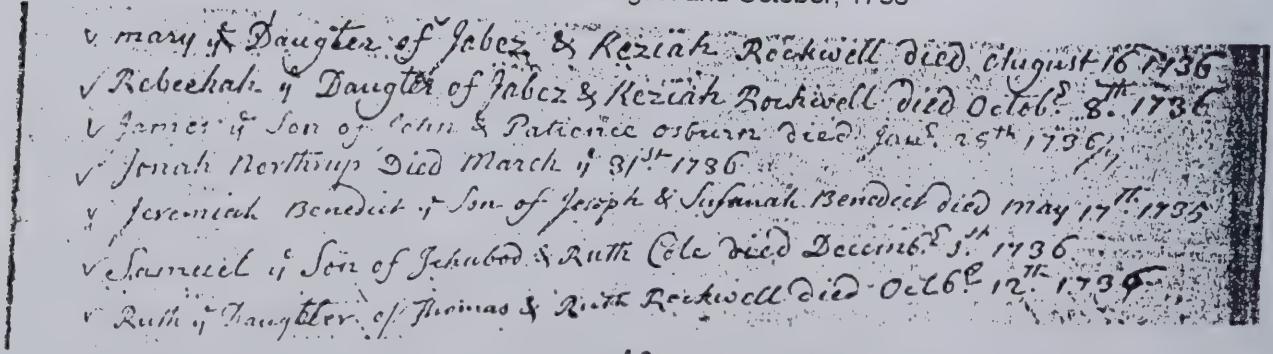
NOTE: In the majority of cases, the maiden name of the wife is NOT given.

Pg 234 Birth of Ebenezer Rockwell, son of **Jonathan & Esther**, September 3, 1742.



Ebenezer ye son of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born September 3. 1742
Millicent ye Daughter of Nathan and Millicent Olmsted was born March ye 21st 1741/2

Pg 215 The death of three Rockwell children in August and October, 1736



Mary ye Daughter of Jabez & Keziah Rockwell died August 16 1736
Rebeckah ye Daughter of Jabez & Keziah Rockwell died Octobr 8th 1736
James ye Son of John & Patience Osburn died Janr 25th 1735/6
Jonah Northrup Died March ye 31st 1736
Jeremiah Benedict ye Son of Joseph & Susanah Benedict died May 17th 1735
Samuel ye Son of Jehabod & Ruth Cole died Decemb: 5th 1736
Ruth ye Daughter of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell died Octobr 12th 1739

BIRTH RECORDS - BOOK 1, PAGE 223. RIDGEFIELD BOOK OF DEEDS

v Daniel ye Son of Thomas and Elizabeth [illegible] was born
ye 23rd 1737/8 [illegible]
v Hannah ye Daughter of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell was born Feb.
24th 1735/6 223
v Ruth ye Daughter of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell was born Novem
v Ebenezer Jones was born August ye 30th 1732 ye Son of Jacob &
Deborah Jones.
v James ye Son of Jacob & Deborah Jones was born Novem. 16th 17
v Abigail ye Daughter of Jacob & Deborah Jones was born march
v Gamaliel ye Son of Jonathan & Rebeckah Osburn was born Feb. 11th 1737/8
v Nathan ye Son of Benjamin & Rebeckah Rockwell was born Novem 22 173
v James ye Son of Vivus & Rachel Dauchy was born Novemb. 30th 1734
v Mary ye Daughter of Vivus & Rachel Dauchy (Novemb. 25th 1736) was born
v Abigail ye Daughter of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born Feb. 23 1734/5
v Mary ye Daughter of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born March 9th 1736/7
v John ye Son of Lemuel & Martha Abbott was born April 1st 1738
v Hannah ye Daughter of Gideon & Sarah Smith was born Sep. 29th 1734
v Elijah ye Son of Gideon & Sarah Smith was born Decemb. 29th 1735
v William ye Son of John & Rebeckah Northrup was born Feb. 6th 1737/8
v Eunice ye Daughter of Jabez & Sarah Northrup was born Octob. 3. 1735
v Jabez ye Son of Jabez & Sarah Northrup was born August 14th 1737
v Deborah ye Daughter of Benjamin & Deborah Willson was born April
4th 1738
v Mary ye Daughter of Timothy & Sarah Keeler was born April 30th 1738
v Mehetable ye Daughter of John & Elizabeth Rockwell was born April
ye 11th 1738
v Josiah ye Son of Joseph & Mary Osburn was born April 20th 1738
v Jeremiah ye Son of Nathan & Phebe Willson was born ye 2d
Day of June 1738
v Vivus ye Son of Vivus & Rachel Dauchy was born Octob. 7th 1738
v Hannah ye Daughter of David & Elizabeth Rockwell was born August 11th 1738
v Thomas ye Son of Saml. & Sarah Saintjohn was born Octob. 12th 1738
v Stephen ye Son of Saml. & Sarah Gates was born July 11th 1737
v Ebenezer ye Son of John & Patience Osburn was born May 26th 1738
v Jonathan ye Son of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born Jan. 16th
1738/9
Mary ye Daughter of Ichabod & Ruth Cole was born Jan. 30th 175
v Daniel ye Son of Ebenr. & Jane Brooks was born March 26th 1741

√Rebeckah ye Daughter of Samuel & Sarah Stjohn was
born June 18th 1743.
√Jacob ye Son of Samuel & Sarah Stjohn was born August
ye 30th 1745

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√Sarah ye Daughter of John & Elisabeth Rockwell was born
ye 24th Day of July 1747

√Sarah ye Daughter of Samuel Smith ye 4th & Mary Smith
was born June ye 3d 1748

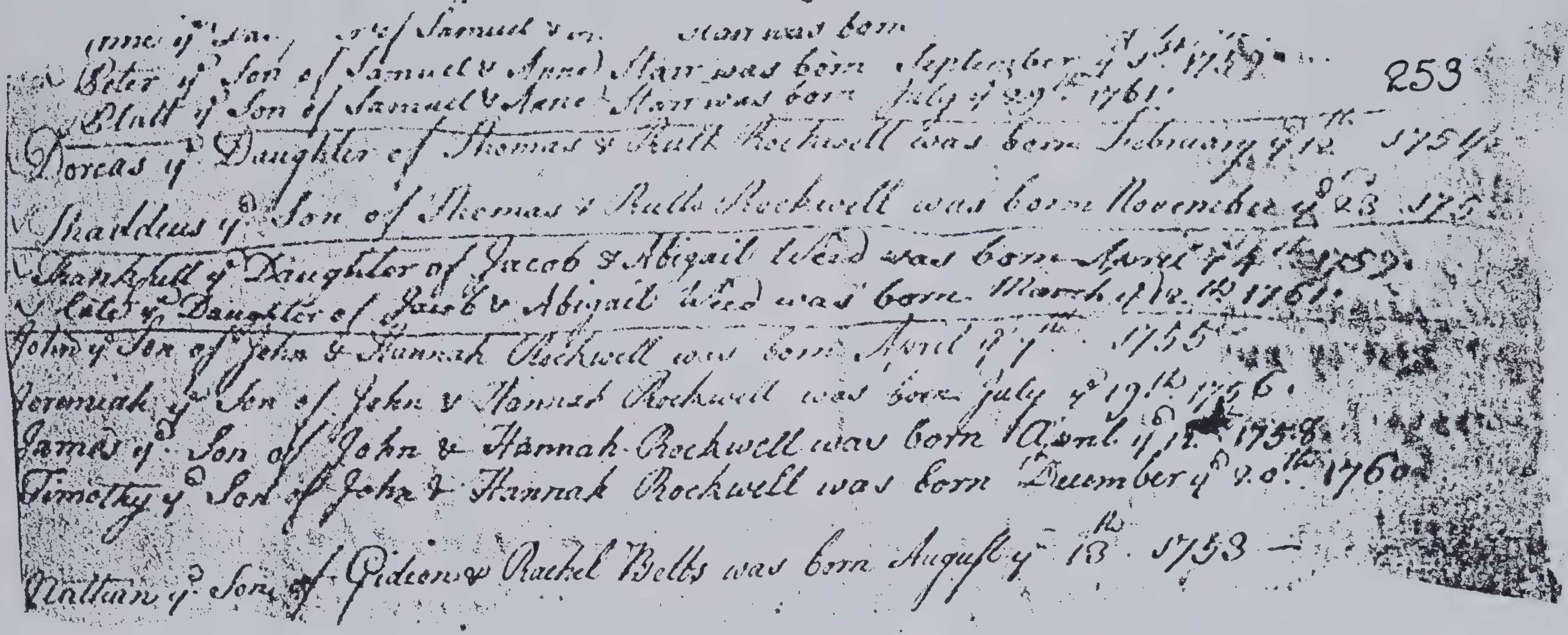
√Timothy ye Son of Timothy & Mary Keeler was born May
ye 10th 1748

√Daniel ye Son of Daniel & Betty Smith was born Septem
ber ye 9th 1748

√John ye Son of Samuel & Sarah Stjohn was born April ye 11th 1753.
√Daniel the Son of Samuel & Sarah Saintjohn was born July ye 16 1748
√Ezekiel ye Son of Benjamin & Hannah Goodrech was born August ye 31st 1749
√ ye Son of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born Decem.r ye 13th 174
√Jemima ye Daughter of James & Mary Benedict was born July ye 25th 174
√Abraham ye Son of John & Elisabeth Rockwell was born Octob.r ye 5th 1749
√David ye Son of Nathan & Millicent Olmsted was born Novem.r ye 20th 174
√Abigail ye Daughter of Tho.s & Elisabeth Hawley was born Octob.r ye 24th 174
√David ye Son of Timothy & Mary Keeler was born April ye 16th 1750
√Hezekiah ye Son of Nathan & Millicent Olmsted was born December ye 16th 1750
√Martha ye Daughter of Sam.ll & Sarah Stjohn was born July ye 2. 1750
√Stephen ye son of Stephen & Hannah Olmsted was Born March ye 8th 1748.
√James ye Son of Stephen & Hannah Olmsted was born Septem. ye 18th 1749.
√Rebeckah ye Daughter of Timothy & Rebeckah Wood was born August ye 15th 1750.
√Phebe ye Daughter of Samuel & Martha Abbott was born May ye 24 1750 at Night
√James ye Son of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell was born June ye 9th 1750
√Anne ye Daughter of Daniel & Thankfull Whitnee was born May ye 23. 1748.
√Elisabeth ye Daughter of Jonathan & Esther Rockwell was born Octob.r ye 15th 1747.
√Benjamin ye Son of Daniel & Thankfull Whitnee was born June ye 5th 1750
Jacob ye Son of Henry & Abigail Elias was born April ye 7th 1751.
√Moses ye Son of David & Rachel Osborn was born Decem.r ye 23. 173
√Job ye Son of David & Rachel Osborn was born April ye 23. 1744
√John-Gold ye Son of Thomas & Elisabeth Hawley was born June ye 5th 1751.
√Jeremiah ye Son of Ebenez.r & Ann Stebbens was born november ye 12th 174
√Sarah ye Daughter of Benjamin & Deborah Wilson was born June ye 14 1746
√Jane ye Daughter of Benjamin & Deborah Wilson was born Decemb.r ye 4. 17
Abigail
√~~[illegible]~~ ye Daughter of Benjamin & Deborah Wilson was born November ye 20 175
√Sarah ye Daughter of Matthew Seamore & Comfort Seamore was born Septemb ye
√Ellenor ye Daughter of John & Elisabeth Rockwell was born July ye 12th 175

SOME ADDITIONAL ROCKWELL BIRTHS

The John & Hannah Rockwell entries are for grandchildren of John (Ensign) Rockwell.



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[illegible]nne ye [illegible] of Samuel & [illegible] Starr was born

Peter ye Son of Samuel & Anne Starr was born September ye 3d 1759

Platt ye Son of Samuel & Anne Starr was born July ye 29th 1761

Dorcas ye Daughter of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell was born February ye 12th 1754

Thaddeus ye Son of Thomas & Ruth Rockwell was born November ye 23 175[illegible]

Thankfull ye Daughter of Jacob & Abigail Weed was born April ye 4th 1759

[illegible] ye Daughter of Jacob & Abigail Weed was born March ye 12th 1761

John ye Son of John & Hannah Rockwell was born April ye 7th 1755

Jeremiah ye Son of John & Hannah Rockwell was born July ye 19th 1756

James ye Son of John & Hannah Rockwell was born April ye 12th 1758

Timothy ye Son of John & Hannah Rockwell was born December ye 20th 1760

Nathan ye Son of Gideon & Rachel Betts was born August ye 13th 1753 —

THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WARS

In the early years of the Colonies, the relationship between the colonists and the Indians were relatively peaceful. Indian land was purchased from the Indian tribes and the Indians very often were very helpful in that they offered badly needed fruit, vegetables and meat/fish for trade. The first major conflict occurred in 1636-37 when the Pequot Indians near the Connecticut Colony objected to the influx of settlers from the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Hostilities broke out and the Pequot Indians were subsequently exterminated.

The French and Indian Wars were actually a series of armed conflicts, politically originating in Europe between England and France, but extending into the North American Colonies:

King William's War 1689 - 1697 Both sides, utilizing the help of Indian tribes, raided each other's settlements. Schenectady, NY, Salmon Falls, NH, Fort Loyal, ME were destroyed by the French and English forces captured Port Royal in Nova Scotia and unsuccessfully attacked Quebec. Raids back and forth kept the Colonies in a constant state of fear and concern.

Queen Anne's War 1702-1713 This war's primary cause in North America was a whole series of issues left unresolved in 1697 when King William's War ended. During the years of this conflict, Deerfield, MS was burned and many of the inhabitants were massacred by the French forces. English forces attacked Nova Scotia and raided, unsuccessfully into Quebec and Montreal.

King George's War 1744-1748 In this conflict, the French captured the British Fort at Canso, Nova Scotia, and carried the prisoners to the French fortress of Louisbourg on Cape Breton Island. 4000 militia troops were raised in New England and subsequently captured the supposedly impregnable fortress at Louisbourg.

French and Indian War 1754-1763 This war arose in North America from the long-standing British and French rivalry for land and fur and the residual hostilities left over from the 3 previous wars. France claimed all the land in an arc from the St. Lawrence River, westward to Detroit, south to St. Louis and New Orleans. This encroached on English claims for much of the same area. In this conflict, the tribes of the Iroquois Nation were allied with the British. Most of the major fighting took place in Pennsylvania, at Ft. Duquesne (presently, Pittsburgh), along Lakes Erie, Ontario and Champlain, and in the ultimate capture of Quebec by the British. There were multiple raids back and forth into the New England and New York areas which put the Colonial settlers in the outlying areas in a constant state of alert. The British were victorious and finally removed the French threat in North America. One of the results of this War was that Parliament began to tax the Colonies for the costs of the war. The Colonists felt this was grossly unfair and violated the traditional self-government atmosphere of the Colonies. Since the French were no longer a threat, the Colonies did not feel a dependence on English military support and resented having to pay for it through taxes. There had also developed a strong feel of "American" nationality replacing the older "English" loyalty: - setting the "ground-work" for the American Revolution.

We do not know of any direct involvement of any of the Rockwells in these conflicts. We do know however that most healthy males were assigned to militia units for the protection of their communities and this would have involved almost all of the Rockwell men. These conflicts most assuredly would have resulted in the militia units being alerted from time to time and would have added to the continual stress of the potential danger of a suprise raid into their area off and on for almost 75 years. Warfare - another burden our Rockwells faced generation after generation in the building of Colonial America.

OUR SIXTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JONATHAN ROCKWELL II & ESTHER (???)

Jonathan Rockwell II is the youngest proven son of Jonathan Rockwell I and Abigail Canfield. He was born on 31 March, 1711, probably in Ridgefield, Connecticut.

Jonathan married in October, 1733 to a woman whose first name was Esther. Their marriage was recorded in Book 1, page 230 of "Ridgefield Deeds". In all probability, Esther would have been born about 1713 to marry at the age of 20. After years of searching, we still have not been able to determine who Esther's parents were. We looked at other families in the Ridgefield area trying to find an "Esther" who was born about 1713 and was unaccounted for in marriage, but had no luck. There were 5 "Esthers" births recorded from 1745 - 1760 from various families, but none prior,. A diligent search of Ridgefield and surrounding area records provided no additional clues.

All of Jonathan and Esther's children were born in Ridgefield, and contrary to most other Rockwell generations, Jonathan and Esther did not relocate and spent their whole lives in Ridgefield. He is mentioned in several land transactions.

Jonathan died on 3 Sep, 1784 in Ridgefield at the age of 73. Esther died on the 20th of May, 1796 and was buried in Ridgefield. Her tombstone indicates that she was born in 1713.

Documents pertaining to the settlement of Jonathan's estate names his wife, Esther, and their 11 children. His estate was finally settled in November 1793. (Probate file #3961, State Library, Hartford, CT.)

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL II & ESTHER (???)

I. ABIGAIL ROCKWELL - b 3 Feb 1735 in Ridgefield. m Joseph Doolittle on 10 Aug 1757. Joseph was b 25 Jan 1738, the son of Joseph Doolittle and Martha Hitchcock.

1. Reuben Doolittle - b 19 Apr 1761. d 10 Aug 1830.

II. MARY ROCKWELL - b 9 Mar 1736 in Ridgefield. m 1st a man by the name of Chilton or Crittenden. m 2nd to a man by the name of Gray.

III. JONATHAN ROCKWELL III - b 10 Jan 1738 in Ridgefield. Married Hannah Bennett on 1 Jan 1760. died in 1819 in Big Flats, Chemung Co., NY. Jonathan III is the next generation of our Rockwell line.

IV. ESTHER ROCKWELL - b 10 Dec 1740 in Ridgefield. m _______ Brown, and/or John Wallace. Esther d prior to 1784.

V. EBENEZER ROCKWELL - b 3 Sep 1742 in Ridgefield. Married Abigail Smith Worden (b 17 Feb 1742 - d 1 Mar 1813), the widow of Daniel Worden, on 11 May, or 5 Nov, 1777. Ebenezer died 4 Dec 1819.

A. Reuben Rockwell - b Ridgefield and bapt 3 Jan 1779 at Ridgebury. m ______ Stebbins and settled in Western, New York.
B. William Rockwell - b 20 Sep 1780. bapt as "Billy" on 29 Oct 1780. m _____Smith of New Salem, NY. d in New Salem.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL II & ESTHER continued:

VI. ____________ ROCKWELL - a son, b 13 Dec 1743. died young.

VII. ELIZABETH ROCKWELL - b 15 Oct 1747 in Ridgefield. m Benjamin Jones on 27 Jun 1771.

VIII. HENRY ROCKWELL - b 13 Dec 1749 in Ridgefield. d 8 Mar 1814/1817, unmarried. Henry is listed in the 1790 Census of Ridgefield in a household with a younger couple.

IX. WILLIAM ROCKWELL - b Apr 1754 in Ridgefield. m Sarah Wordan on 16 Jun 1785. Sarah was the daughter of Daniel and Abigail Smith Worden of Ridgefield. Sarah was b 16 Feb 1765 and d 9 Mar 1844. William served throughout the American Revolution except for the last 6 months. He was disabled and returned home to his farm in Bungtown on the southern border of Ridgebury Township, CT. He died there on 21 Aug 1831. William and Sarah were buried in the Titicus Cemetery.

A Sarah Rockwell - b 29 Dec 1785. m Abiel Keeler. d 6 Jan 1870.
**** B. William Rockwell - b 1786. m Mary Babcock. d 1831. A son, Rev. Hiram Rockwell (b1804-d 1888) m Rebecca Merritt.
C. Abigail Rockwell - b c1789. m Eli Smith. d 15 Sep 1849 and buried in the North Salem Cemetery, NY. No children.
D. Esther Rockwell - b c1791. d prior 1873.
E. Ann Rockwell - b 26 Jun 1793. m Henry Smith. d 29 May 1864.
F. Jonathan Rockwell - b 27 Nov 1797. m 1st Clarissa Gregory (b 12 Jan 1801 - d 11 Apr 1835) and had 7 children. m 2nd Sarah Gregory at Beekmon, NY. Sarah was b 25 Apr 1810, the daughter of Eleazor Gregory. Jonathan d after Nov 1875.
G. Samuel Rockwell - b c1800. m 1st ______Palmer. m 2nd ________ Smith. d 10 Sep 1834.
H. Rachel Rockwell - b 30 Mar 1804. m Nelson Canfield. d in Neversink, NY in 1872.
I. Henry Rockwell - b c1806. m Phoebe _______. d North Salem, NY after Dec 1876.

X. ANNA ROCKWELL - b 13 Dec 1743. Married ________ Thomas.

XI. DORCAS ROCKWELL (female) - b 28 Nov 1753. Married Samuel Bostwick. d 13 Aug 1798 in Bedford, NY.

There was a William Rockwell - b c1805. d unmarried on 29 Sep 1827 in New Rochelle, NY, who is probably a child of one of the above 11 children of Jonathan and Esther Rockwell.

**** Mrs Kay Wilmot, 1538 West 4th Street, Hutchinson, KS 67501 is descended from William Rockwell, IX. B., above, and has extensive data on the Wilmot descendants of this line. The Rev. Hiram Rockwell and his wife, Rebecca, had a daughter, Almira Ceclia Rockwell (b 1839 - d 1921) who married Philo Abijah Wilmot (b1831 - d 1891) and had 10 children..

A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW FOR 1750-1800
THE SURGE INTO NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA
THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
CHEMUNG COUNTY, NEW YORK

THE PRESSURE FOR NEW LAND As the New England Colonies filled up with new arrivals from Europe and the large number of children born to the early colonists, there was a strong pressure for permission to move into new land to the west. The original family land usually was willed to one of the children or sold, which left the remaining children without a home. Therefore, at every generation, there was a strong movement of the younger generation to acquire new lands and to create new settlements.

These movements were usually by family groups where all the individuals were closely related by blood or marriage. In this manner, the settlers would have a close-knit, mutually supporting environment to be able to handle the hardships they would face in their new location. Since most of the new locations were "raw" areas, there were no roads, and movement was often by boat along the rivers and settlement in the river valleys. Very often the men from the families would go to the new location and start preparations in the area (cut roads, clear farm land, start construction of homes, dig wells, etc.) before the rest of the family joined them.

NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA Most of these new movements were into, what is today, the eastern portions of New York, Pennsylvania, and western New Jersey. Almost no white men lived in these areas, and the English Government, in order to prevent conflict with the Indians, restricted settlements. In 1754 the Connecticut Colony claimed and were granted a strip of land running westward along, what is now the northern Pennsylvania state line which was organized as a sub-division of the Connecticut Charter. A major part of this new sub-division lay in the Wyoming Valley of Pennsylvania. Many families from the Connecticut Colony moved into this area. Due to Indian attacks and massacres in 1756-1763 during the final French and Indian War, they found the area too unsafe and moved back into more protected areas such as (today) Orange County, New York and "The Connecticut Farms" in Essex County, New Jersey.

Note that **Jonathan Rockwell III** had moved westward from Ridgefield, Connecticut, sometime after 1760 and was in Orange Co., NY about 1770. It is very probable that some of our Rockwells were involved in these "back-and-forth" moves. After the French and Indian War, some of these families again tried to move back into the areas they had previously occupied - but then came the American Revolution.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION The American Revolution, 1775 -1783, and the resulting conflicts, Indian raids, and economic pressures further restricted any westward expansion - it was just too unsafe. Note the story on the following pages where **Jonathan Rockwell IIII** and his family were involved in the Indian/Tory attack on Orange County in July 1779. In 1780, the power of the Iroquois Indian Nation, who had supported the British, was broken in New York, and, after the War, the interior of New York State was safely opened for settlement.

When the Revolution ended, many of the families again attempted to return to the Pennsylvania and New York border lands they had previously occupied. They found however that through events beyond their control, many of the original land claims were no longer valid. Most of these claims had been purchased or granted through the British sponsored Connecticut Colony which now no longer existed since the Americans had won the War. The so-called "Pennamite War" (1769-1784) resulted. Pennsylvanians, backed by their local militia units, had taken possession of much of the land and the Connecticut/New England "squatters" were often met with violence and even death in some of the local conflicts.

Many who lived or had claims in Pennsylvania's Wyoming Valley, where the dispute was the hottest, moved northwest up the Susquehanna River into the central New York area. The legal conflicts between New York, Pennsylvania and Connecticut dragged on and were finally settled, with the help of the new Federal Government, in 1800.

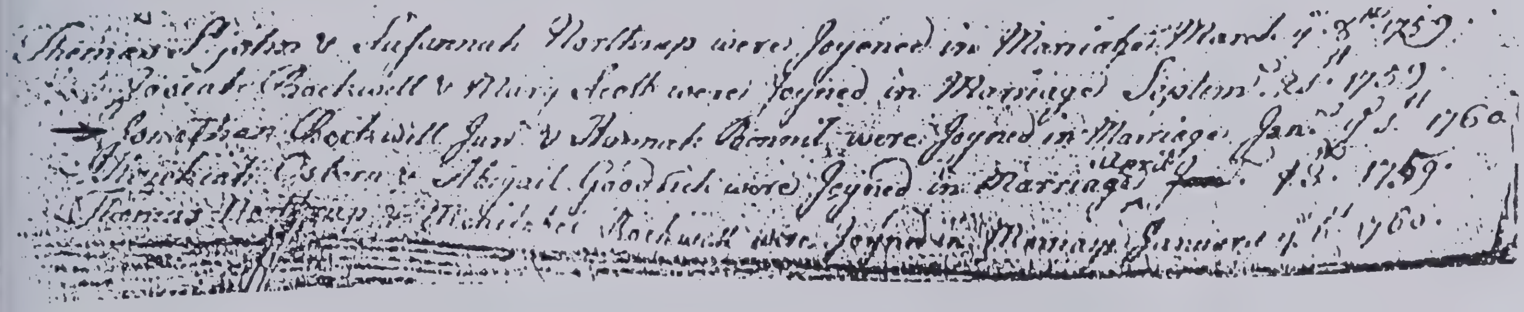
CHEMUNG COUNTY, NEW YORK In 1788 the Chemung River Valley became a haven for the wandering New Englanders. **Jonathan Rockwell III** and his family, left Orange County, NY, and moved into this area in 1791. The area we call Chemung County today was originally part of Montgomery County which was formed in 1772. At that time Montgomery County encompassed a major part of central/south-central New York State. On 22 March, 1788 a new township was created by the New York Legislature in Montgomery County. There were some settlers in this area, centered around a small village called Newtown. Newtown today is Elmira. In 1791, the southern section of Montgomery County was split off and given the name of Tioga County. When the Rockwells first entered this area, it was Montgomery County, which then became Tioga County, which then became Chemung County in 1836.

OUR SEVENTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & HANNAH BENNETT

Jonathan Rockwell III is the eldest son of Jonathan Rockwell II and his wife, Esther. Jonathan was born in Ridgefield, Fairfield County, CT on 10 Jan, 1738.

In January , 1760, Jonathan married Hannah Bennett in Ridgefield, CT.



Thomas Pjohn & Susannah Northrup were Joyned in Marriage March ye 8th 1759

Josiah Rockwell & Mary Scott were Joyned in Marriage Septem 21. 1759

→ Jonathan Rockwell Junr & Hannah Bennit were Joyned in Marriage Janry ye 3. 1760

Hezekiah Osborn & Abigail Goodrich were Joyned in Marriage April ~~Jan~~ 18. 1759

Thomas Northrup & Mehitabel Rockwell were Joyned in Marriage January ye 1st 1760

THE MARRIAGE OF JONATHAN & HANNAH AS RECORDED FIRST BOOK OF DEEDS, PAGE 232, RIDGEFIELD, CT.

Hannah was also probably born in Ridgefield, probably about 1740. As was the case in most of these small towns, Hannah and Jonathan knew each other and grew up together through their childhood and teen age years.

As was typical in those days, young married couples, along with their relatives, sought property in the new frontier settlements. It is possible that Jonathan and Hannah were part of the westward movement into Pennsylvania that had been "turned back" due to the dangers of the French & Indian conflicts. We do know that Jonathan and Hannah moved to Orange County, New York about 1770, just prior to the American Revolution. Jonathan is supposed to have worked for a time in Newburg, and later acquired their farm in Warwick Township. In this move they were accompanied by several of Hannah's Bennett relatives.

A fellow by the name of Francis Baird owned a tavern and general store in the village of Warwick. His account book for 1773 -1774 lists Jonathan Rockwell as one of his customers. Some of the other people who had accounts there were 4 of the "Bennit"s (Bennetts), Abraham, Amos, Ephrium and James, along with Brice and Isreal Rickey.

In September, 1775, Jonathan is the only Rockwell listed on the Assessment Roll of Warwick Township, Orange County, NY in "District #2". John Hathorn was the Assessor. John, a Captain in the local Militia, and later during the Revolution, was the Colonel in command of the Warwick Militia Regiment. Jonathan was assessed 2 pounds, 7 shillings and 3 pence. This amount was the average paid by the residence - 10 of them paid 10 pounds or more (including the store owner Francis Baird assessed at 21 pounds) and 58 paid less than 1 pound. This would indicate that Jonathan and Hannah had a fair size homestead in comparison with the majority of the families in Warwick Township. There were about 151 families in District #2 which included most of the central portion of Warwick Township, extending from Florida south to the New Jersey border, west to Amity and East to Bellvale. According to this Assessment Roll, Jonathan and Hannah's near-by neighbors were Ephrium Jr., Abraham Sr., Abraham Jr., Matthew, and Thomas Bennett. Ephrium Bennett Sr. was also listed, but some distance away from the others.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

WARWICK TOWNSHIP, ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK - JULY 1779

It was mid-morning, July 20th, when Hannah Rockwell glanced out of the door of her home to see a horseman galloping up the road. She recognized him as old Moses Townsend from the Village of Warwick. He rode into their yard and yelled for Jonathan.

"He's not here Moses - he took our cow over to the Wades for breeding at sun-up this morning. What do you need him for?" replied Hannah.

Moses, a bit short of breath, shouted back - "Colonel Hathorn called up the Militia Regiment this morning! Brant's Indians and the Tories raided the Lower Neighborhood last night - killed a number of folks, burned part of Minisink, and took a bunch of women and children captive. We don't know where the Indians are right now - Hathorn gathered up some men and took off after them real early this morning. You might want to gather up your family and get over to the village seein' as how the killing was just a few miles over to the west."

"Oh no, not again! I'll keep everyone in the house till Jonathan gets back - he should be here any time soon," Hannah yelled. "Does Jonathan have to report in to the Militia?"

"I don't know - I just was told to warn the folks in your area - I got to get moving on and let your neighbors know - you folks be careful! " Moses waved, spurred his horse and galloped on down the road.

Hannah recalled that late last fall, on October 13th ,1778, two homes were destroyed and 3 people killed in a similar raid. The Militia was called up then and was on guard for several months. There had been battles up the Hudson River and along the Susquehanna Valley just this spring.

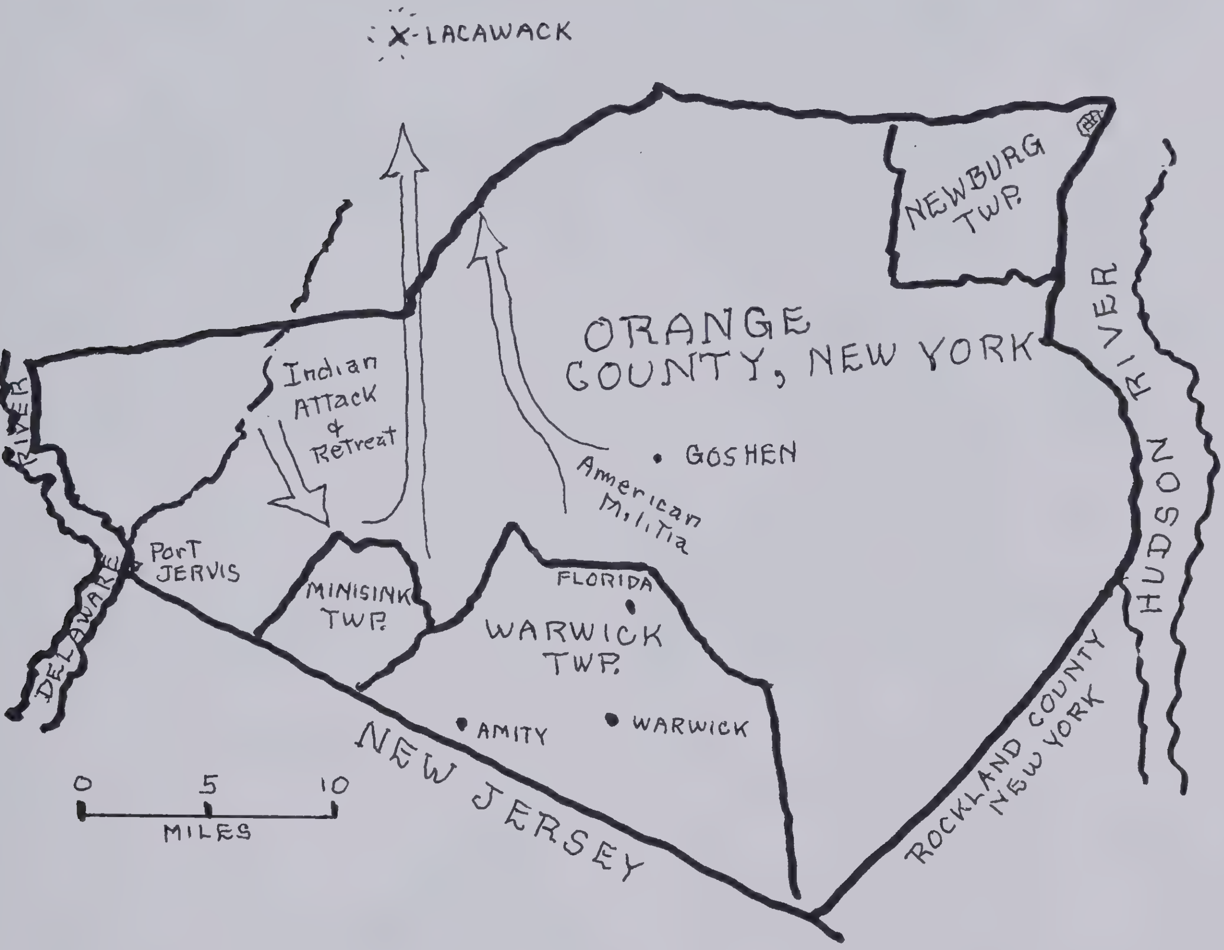
Hannah sent Esther, their 10 year old daughter, out to the wheat field to warn James, their 16 year old son, and tell him to quickly get back to the house. Hannah closed the shutters on the house and loaded Jonathan's musket. By then James and Esther returned panting from their run back from the fields. Hannah sent them out to the barn to secure the rest of their livestock while she put their two younger children, Benjamin and 2 year old Jonathan up in the sleeping loft.

Jonathan, her husband, returned home in an hour and found the house barricaded. He decided to stay with his family until they were more sure of the situation. "We are better off staying here than running the chance of getting caught on the road to town" said Jonathan.

As it turned out, the English educated Mohawk Indian, Joseph Brant, had led about 65 Mohawks and 27 Tories on the raid into the Minisink area (the "Lower Neighborhood") of western Orange County on the night of July the 19th. At least 4 men were killed, at least 9 homes with their barns, 2 saw mills, and a church were destroyed. Several women and their children were taken prisoner and a large number of horses, cattle and plunder were stolen. Colonel John Hathorn of the Orange County Militia assumed command of a party of militiamen from the Goshen area in Orange County, and a contingent from the New Jersey Militia, for a total of about 80 men. 40 additional men from Warwick assembled, and joined Col Hathorn's force to counter the raid. They pursued the raiders and finally caught up with them in the vicinity of Lacawack, up in Sullivan Co., NY (about 27 miles north of Minisink) on the 22nd of July. The problem was that Brant had been reinforced by then and outnumbered his pursuers. When Col Hathorn attacked them he was severely counter-attacked and ended up defending himself in a hollow square for almost 5 hours before the Indians partially over-ran them and finally withdrew with their booty. Col Hathorn's scattered force lost 43 killed, with many of the survivors wounded. They made their way back to Warwick by the 27th of July. There is a monument standing today in their honor in Goshen, NY.

Jonathan Rockwell served in Colonel Hathorn's 4th Regiment of Orange County Militia during the Revolution and his service is recognized by the Daughters of the American Revolution (# s 116302, 127548, and 368970). He was apparently called up during many of the raids into the Orange County area and/or as guards for British prisoners being escorted to prisoner-of-war camps in New York, New England. Some stories relate that Jonathan was a drummer or musician for the Regiment.

MAP OF ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK


X-LACAWACK
NEWBURG TWP.
ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK
Indian Attack & Retreat
American Militia
GOSHEN
HUDSON RIVER
DELAWARE RIVER
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MINISINK TWP.
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WARWICK TWP.
AMITY
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NEW JERSEY
ROCKLAND COUNTY NEW YORK
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MILES

Jonathan and Hannah lived in Warwick Township c1770 - c1791.
The Indian Raid and counterattack of July 1779 is shown by the arrows.

After the Revolution, the Federal Government settled the disputes between Connecticut and Pennsylvania and land in Central New York State was openned for settlement. About 1791, Jonathan and his family, along with many Bennett relatives moved into what is today, Chemung County, NY. The move was made by ox team over very poor roads and took about 5 weeks to make the journey. By 1794 the family was settled and Jonathan is shown as a tax payer in "Newton" (now Elmira).

On the 2nd of August, 1794, "Jonathan & Hannah Rockwell received by letter of dismissal from the Warwick Church" and joined the Wellsburg Baptist Church. Jonathan and Hannah are mentioned in church meeting minutes on many occasions from 1797 to 1807. In the records of the Wellsburg Church and various land records, Jonathan signed his name or is referred to as "Johnathan", "Jonathan Junr", "Jonathan 2nd", and "Jonathan Junyer".

On the 5th of June, 1799, Jonathan purchased 100 acres in lot #9, SE 1/4 of Township #1 for $312.50, which was to be paid in 4 installments on the 1st of April 1801 thru 1804. Jonathan's son, James Rockwell, purchased an adjacent 100 acres in Lot #8 on the same day. On 10 Dec 1801, Jonathan purchased a 50 acre lot in the SE 1/4 of Township #1 for $174.70 from Jacob Grey. Note that after the Revolution, money was now in "dollars", not "pounds" from the old English monetary system. These lots are near the present Chemung County Airport; see the maps on the following pages which show Rockwell land purchases in Chemung County.

In the 1810 Federal Census, Jonathan and Hannah are apparently living with their son, William Rockwell. There is also some indication that Jonathan and Hannah lived, at one time, on lot #32 in Elmira.

Jonathan died in 1820 sometime after he signed a deed on 16 Feb 1820 in Big Flats, Chemung County and is mentioned in "A History of the Valley & County of Chemung", by Ausburn Towner, 1892. Hannah was still alive in March, 1820 when she "personally appeared Hannah, the wife of Jonathan Rockwell to acknowledge this her voluntary act" when she signed the 16 Feb 1820 deed that Jonathan had previously signed. We do not know specifically when Hannah or Jonathan died or where they were buried.

Jonathan and Hannah appear in the Federal Census as shown below. In parenthesis are the names of whom these catagories MIGHT be: ---

1790 Census, Warwick Town, Orange County, NY.
    1 male 16+ (Jonathan III),
    2 males under 16 (Jonathan Jr & William), 3 females (Hannah, Sally, & ?Esther?).
1800 Census, Tioga County (now Chemung), NY. pg 332,
    1 male -10 (???), 1 male 10-16 (???), 1 male 45+ (Jonathan III)
    3 females -10 (???), 1 female 26-45 (????), 1 female 45+(Hannah)
        (?maybe a widowed daughter and grandchildren living with Jonathan and Hannah?)
1810 Census, Tioga County (now Chemung), NY. 1 male 45+, 1 female 45+ apparently living in the household of Jonathan's son, William Rockwell.

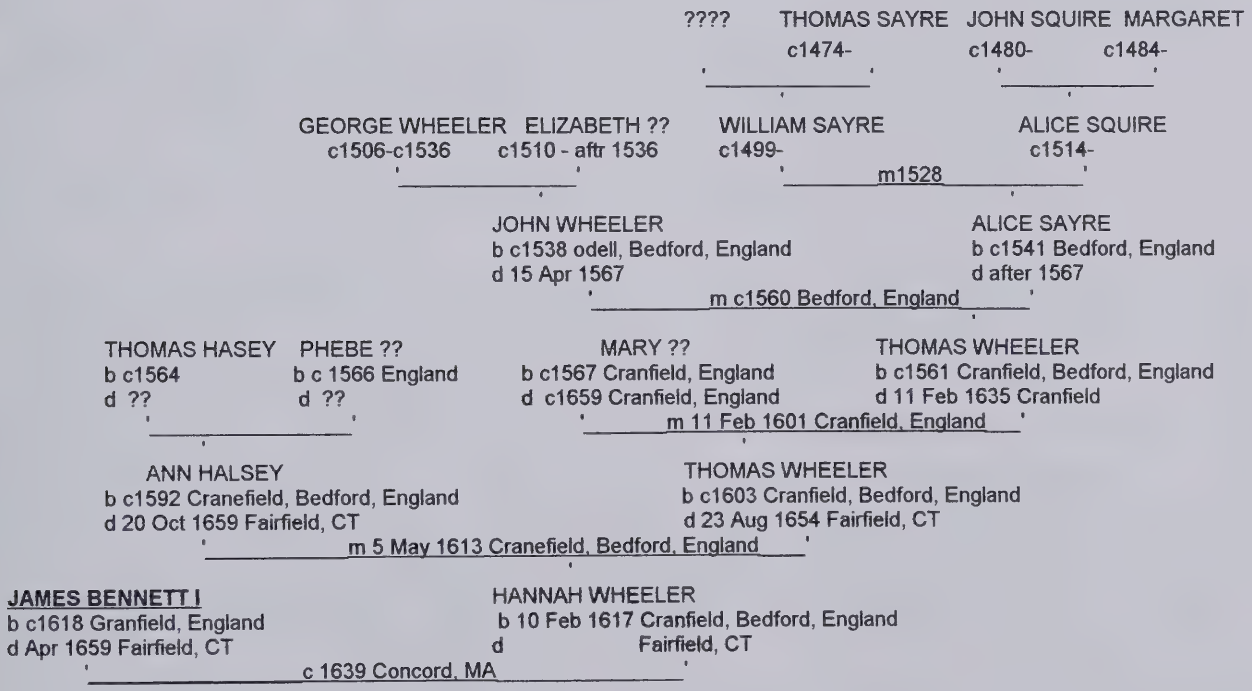
THE FAMILY OF HANNAH BENNETT

We know from the Ridgefield Deed Book page 232, that **Jonathan Rockwell III** married **Hannah Bennett** in January 1760 in Ridgefield, CT. In trying to determine who Hannah's parents were, we searched based upon the following clues:---

--- Her maiden name was Bennett based upon the above quoted marriage entry.
--- A very high probability that her parents lived in Ridgefield when she was married.
--- Hannah was probably born about 1740, being about 20 years of age when she married.
--- A high probability that Hannah was born in Ridgefield, but the incomplete birth records of Ridgefield do not include a "Hannah Bennett".
--- Since families moved to new locations as family groups; some related Bennetts might have accompanied Hannah and Jonathan in their move to Orange Co., NY and/or to Chemung Co., NY.

After searching for many years and reviewing multiple sources of the many "Bennett" family lines in early New England, I feel that Hannah decends from the following James Bennett I line. I base this upon the fact that this family was in Ridgefield at the "right" time, had families that Hannah's date of birth would "fit", and made the same moves as Jonathan and Hannah to Orange and Chemung Counties in the same time frame. Also note that there were multiple marriages and land transaction between the later generations of these Bennetts and the Rockwells.

THE JAMES BENNETT I FAMILY LINE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THOMAS SAYRE c1474-
JOHN SQUIRE c1480-
MARGARET c1484-
GEORGE WHEELER c1506-c1536
ELIZABETH ?? c1510 - aftr 1536
WILLIAM SAYRE c1499-
ALICE SQUIRE c1514-
m1528
JOHN WHEELER b c1538 odell, Bedford, England d 15 Apr 1567
ALICE SAYRE b c1541 Bedford, England d after 1567
m c1560 Bedford, England
THOMAS HASEY b c1564 d ??
PHEBE ?? b c 1566 England d ??
MARY ?? b c1567 Cranfield, England d c1659 Cranfield, England
THOMAS WHEELER b c1561 Cranfield, Bedford, England d 11 Feb 1635 Cranfield
m 11 Feb 1601 Cranfield, England
ANN HALSEY b c1592 Cranefield, Bedford, England d 20 Oct 1659 Fairfield, CT
THOMAS WHEELER b c1603 Cranfield, Bedford, England d 23 Aug 1654 Fairfield, CT
m 5 May 1613 Cranefield, Bedford, England
JAMES BENNETT I b c1618 Granfield, England d Apr 1659 Fairfield, CT
HANNAH WHEELER b 10 Feb 1617 Cranfield, Bedford, England d Fairfield, CT
c 1639 Concord, MA

The **James Bennett I** line is extended in detail on the following pages.

I. **JAMES BENNETT I** - b c1618 in Granfield, England. James came to the Colonies and was made a "Freeman" in Concord, MA in 1639. He was m c1639 in Concord to Hannah Wheeler (b 10 Feb 1617 in Cranfield, Bedfordshire, England - d 16__ Fairfield, CT). Hannah was the daughter of Thomas Wheeler and Ann Halsey. Hannah's ancestral line is shown on the preceeding page. In 1644 he went to Fairfield, CT with a party led by Rev. John Jones, which included James' father-in-law, Thomas Wheeler. James d in Fairfield, CT in Apr 1659. His property was inventoried in Aug 1659. Hannah m 2nd Joseph Middlebrook.

7 Children: Hannah b 1 Jun 1640 - d 19 Oct 1650. **Thomas** b 16 Oct 1642 - d 1704. James Jr b c1645 - d Oct 1736, m 1st c1667 ____ Joy, m 2nd Mary Osborn. John b c1648, m Mary Thompson. Mary b 20 Jan 1651. d 1654-1659. Sarah b c1654 - d 1726 m Capt John Osborn in Pequonnock, CT. Hannah b c1656 m Lt. Nathaniel Seeley.

II. **THOMAS BENNETT** - b 16 Oct 1642 in Concord, MA. m Elizabeth Thompson (b c1644 - d c1705) in Fairfield, CT prior to 1665. Elizabeth was the daughter of John Thompson. d c1704 in Fairfield, CT.

6 Children: Thomas b c1665, m Sarah Hubbard. John b 1670 - d 1711, m Phebe _____. Elizabeth b 1672 - d 1755, m Henry Hendricks. **James II** b 6 Aug 1675 - d 27 Jul 1725, m 20 Jan 1695 Deborah Adams. Hannah b 20 Aug 1680 m Samuel Stewart. Peter b 1685, m Elizabeth Rowland..

III. **JAMES BENNETT II** - b 6 Aug 1675 in Fairfield, CT. m Deborah Adams (b 1676 Fairfield, CT) on 20 Jan 1695. Deborah was the dau of Lt. Abraham Adams and Sarah Lockwood (see the Adams/Lockwood family tree on the following pages). They settled at Bennetts Farms on the Ridgefield/Danbury line. James d 27 Jul 1725 in Ridgefield CT. His widow was granted letters of administration on 10 Jan 1726. The final settlement of his Estate and heirs are listed in Book 3, page 29, dated 26 Mar 1740 in the Ridgefield Books of Deeds.

7 Children:

** 1. GERSHOM BENNETT - bap 14 Sep 1701 in Farifield, CT. m Sarah Gregory who was b c1705. Was living in Warwick, Orange Co., NY in 1768. There is a "Gerasham Bennet" in the 1790 Census for Chemung Co., NY, probably Gershom JR. There is also a Gershom Bennett in the 1800 Census of Chemung Co. Children unknown.

2. ELIZABETH BENNETT - bap 9 May 1703. m Jonah Smith (b c1699) on 29 Dec 1726 in Ridgefield, CT.

** 3. EPHRIUM BENNETT - bap 3 Jun 1705 in Fairfield, CT. m Hannah Benedict (b c1709) on 27 May 1730 in Ridgefield and is shown in 9 land transactions from Mar 1741 thru Jan 1751. There are 2 childrens births in the Ridgefield records Vol 1. There is an Ephraim Bennett (2-1-2), and Ephrain Bennett Jr (1-2-4) in the 1790 Census for Chemung Co., but we do not know their relationship to this Ephrium Bennett.

4. HANNAH BENNETT - bap 12 Mar 1709/10 in Fairfield, CT. m Isreal Mead (b c1705). Children: Joseph b 1731, & John Mead b 1733.

** 5. SAMUEL BENNETT - bap 13 Jul 1712. m 1st Abiah Nobel. m 2nd Mary _____. Samuel is shown in 8 land transactions in Ridgefield from May 1740 thru May 1757.
   a. Samuel Bennett Jr - b . Appears in a land transaction in Ridgefield on 17 Apr 1747.

** 6. ABRAHAM BENNETT SR. - bap 26 Jun 1715 in Fairfield, CT. m c1737 in Ridgefield, CT to Silence Hickox who was b 19 Sep 1713 in Waterbury, CT., the dau of Samuel Hickox and Elizabeth Plumb. See the following pages for the Hickox Family line. Abraham and his son, Abraham Jr. were in Warwick, Orange Co., NY prior to 1775. Served as a Private in Col. John Hathorn's 4th Regt of Orange Co. Militia during the Revolution and appears on the Warwick Tax rolls in 1775. We have found no record of the death of Abraham or Silence, but assume they d in Warwick. No record has been found for any children other than Abraham Jr.and Nathaniel; however, there may have been others.

a. Abraham Bennett Jr. - b 1742/43 in Ridgefield, CT. m Jerusha Wanzer (b c1742 or 1746 in Ridgefield - d 1839 Stuben Co. NY), the dau of Thomas Wanzer. Abraham was a Revolutionary War Vet from Orange Co., NY, having served with his father in the 4th Regiment of Orange Co. Militia. d 1795 in Warwick, Orange Co., NY. A letter of Administration was granted to Jerusha on 14 Sep 1795. 1790 Census Warwick Twp : 3 males 16+, 4 males -16, 6 females.

11 Children:

(1) Jacob Bennett - b 4 Jun 1772 Warwick. m 1st Julia Benjamin, m 2nd Thankful Baker, m 3rd Charlotte Getshell. Children by 1st wife: Isaac, Jerusha, Abram, Benjamin, Maria, Betsy, Asenth, John, Adeline, Jeremiah. By 2nd wife: Comfort, Nancy, Philip, Deborah.

(2) Benjamin Bennett - b . m Susan McConnell, the probable dau of Matthew McConnell in Big Flats, Chemung Co., NY

(3) Abraham Bennett III - b 7 Aug 1778. m 1st Peggy Burt (b c1787 - d 10 Apr 1839 i Kahler Road Cemetery near Big Flats), m 2nd on 2 Aug 1839 Nancy Goff. d 7 Mar 1854 Big Flats. 1790 Census, Chemung Co 1 male 16+. 2 males - 16, 2 females.

(4) Comfort Bennett - b 18 Jan 1781 in Warwick, Orange Co., NY. m Abigail Miller. Moved to Chemung Co., NY with his widowed mother, Jerusha, in 1799. **James Rockwell and his wife Hannah,** sold land to Comfort and Jerusha in Chemung Co. on 5 Dec 1805. Comfort and Abigail lost a son, Chester, age 8 in 1833, and a daughter, Mary, age 6 in 1811. Comfort d 7 Aug 1844 and he and his 2 children are buried in the Town of Big Flats Cemetery on Kahler Rd. in Chemung Co., NY. Supposed to have had 12 children.

(5) John Bennett - b 4 Apr 1786. m **Sally/Sarah Rockwell,** daughter of **Jonathan Rockwell III.** d 8 Feb 1837 i Kahler Rd Cemetery.

(6) Polly Bennett - b b c1787. m Silas Breese.

(7) Rhoda Bennett - b c1788. m Thomas Scofield.

(8) Deborah Bennett - b 9 Apr 1789. m Elias Breese, the brother of Silas.

(9) Nancy Bennett - b 26 Aug 1791 Chemung Co. . m **William Rockwell**, son of **Jonathan Rockwell III** in Chemung Co., NY. d 1 Jan 1859 in Chemung Co.

(10) Jerusha Bennett - b

(11) Daniel N. Bennett - b 27 Oct1793. m 22 Sep 1816 to Clarissa Dolbie. d 8 Jun 1875.

b. Nathanial Bennett - b c1747 in Ridgefield. m Mercy Wanzer (b c1751)

(1) Daniel Bennett - b 9 May 1773 Warwick. m1st Sarah Sayre (b 25 Jul 1776). 8 children. m 2nd Rebecca Norris (b c1773), 16 children. m 3rd Prudence Roberson (b c 1773). All of Daniel's children born in Stuben County, NY.

7. DEBORAH BENNETT - b . m Benjamin Wilson in Ridgefield on 2 Jun 1737.

**** Which of the above Bennett men is the father of our Hannah Bennett ; is it Gershom or Ephrium or Samuel or Abraham?**

All four were in Ridgefield, CT. at the appropriate time, 1760, and all four had families that Hannah would "fit". Many of their decendents later lived in Orange and Chemung Co., NY. during the same time period that Hannah and Jonathan Rockwell III lived there.

"Historical Chronicle of Minisink", Nov 1941 states: "There was also a daughter Hannah" (of one Ephrium Bennett), "who married Jonathan Rockwell, they moved to Chemung Co. after the Revolution, in western N. Y.". This article indicates that the "Ephrium Bennett" mentioned was a son of one Samuel Bennett (b14 Sep 1690) and Mary Stafford. However the original source from 1899 that this article obtained most of it's Samuel Bennett data from does not mention any Hannah Bennett/ Jonathan Rockwell relationship in the Samuel Bennett line. The remark about a daughter of Ephrium Bennett marrying a Jonathan Rockwell came from an un-named source from about 1910. Also, there is no indication that the Samuel/Ephrium Bennetts mentioned ever lived in Ridgefield, CT. The 1910 remark may be true, but associated with the wrong Ephrium Bennett.

It should be noted that Jonathan and Hannah's son, James Rockwell, named their first son, Ephrium.

I am inclined to select 3. Ephrium & Hannah or 6. Abraham Bennett and Silence as Hannah's parents.

THE HICKOX FAMILY LINE

William Hickox
b 10 Dec 1609
d c1645

Elizabeth ???
b c1621
d 3 Aug 1655

Thomas Upson
b c1600
d 19 Jul 1655

Elizabeth Fuller
b 4 Apr 1626
d 20 Jul 1655

m 23 Jan 1646

Robert Plumb
b 30 Oct 1617
d 12 May 1656

Mary Baldwin
b 19 Feb 1625
d 1 Feb 1707

m 9 Jan 1642

John Norton
b 6 Jun 1628
d 5 Nov 1709

Dortha ???
b c1630
d 24 Jan 1652

Samuel Hickox (Hickocks)
b 14 Nov 1643 Watertown, CT
d 6 Mar 1694 Waterbury, CT

Hannah Upson
b c1646 CT
d 20 Jul 1707 Waterbury CT

m 25 Oct 1664 Farmington, CT

John Plumb
b 12 Aug 1646 Milford, CT
d 21 Mar 1728 Milford, CT

Elizabeth Norton
b c1645 Milford, CT
d c1712 Milford CT

m 24 Nov 1668 Milford CT

Samuel Hickox
b c1668 Waterbury, CT
d 3 Jun 1713 Waterbury, CT

Elizabeth Plumb
b 1 Nov 1669 Milford, CT
d 17 Oct 1749 Waterbury, CT

m 16 Apr 1690 Milford, CT

Abraham Bennett
b 26 Jun 1715 Waterbury, CT
d ???

Silence Hickox
b 19 Sep 1713 Waterbury, CT
d ???

m c1737 Ridgefield, CT

THE ADAMS FAMILY LINE

Edmund Lockwood
b 2 Sep 1574

Alice Cowper
b c1569

Richard Norman
b c1580

Margaret Alford
b c1595

Edward Adams
b c1619 Fairfield CT
d 11 Nov 1671 Fairfield

Mary or Marrgaret ???
b c1621 Fairfield, CT
d 2 Dec 1687 Fairfield, CT

m c1645

Robert Lockwood
b 14 Jan 1600
d 11 Sep 1658 Fairfield, CT

Susannah Norman
b c1616 Dorchester, England
d 23 Dec 1660

m c1634 MA

Abraham Adams
b 9 Sep 1650 Fairfield, CT
d 9 Aug 1729 Fairfield, CT

Sarah Lockwood
b 27 Feb 1652 Fairfield, CT
d ???

m c1672 Fairfield, CT

James Bennett
b 6 Aug 1675 Fairfield, CT
d 27 Jul 1725 Ridgefield, CT

Deborah Adams
b c 1677 Fairfield, CT
d ????

m 2 Jan 1695 Fairfield, CT

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & HANNAH BENNETT

I. HANNAH ROCKWELL - b 6 Oct 1760 in Ridgefield, CN. Married Cornelius Hopper (b 14 Feb 1756 - d 22 Feb 1814) on 25 Dec 1777 in Orange Co., NY. Cornelius was the son of Mathew Hopper and Aeltje Kuyper and he served in the 4th Orange Co. Regiment during the American Revolution. They moved to Chemung Co., NY about 1791, and in 1799 they purchased land from James Rockwell, Hannah's brother, in lot #112. Their family is shown in the 1800 Census of "Tioga" (the predecessor of Chemung Co). About 1812 the family moved to Caneadea, Allegany Co., NY Hannah died 7 Apr 1839 in Caneadea.

A. Matthew Hopper - b 17 Dec 1778. d 4 Jan 1779.
B. Hannah Hopper - b 24 Jul 1781. m Abraham Minier (b 8 May 1782 - d 26 Jan 1827) about 1803. Hannah d 13 Dec 1842.
**** C. Olive Hopper - b 25 Jul 1782. m 1st Greene M. Bentley in 1798. m 2nd Capt Oliver Greenough, a widower. d 14 Nov 1862 in Millsport, NY.
D. Esther Hopper - b 1 Sep 1784. m Elisha Moore. d 6 Apr 1865.
E. Mary Hopper - b 24 Aug 1787. m Frederick Owens. d 16 Mar 1854.
F. Anna Hopper - b 6 Nov 1789. m Elijah Reynolds.
G. Rockwell Hopper - b 1 May 1793. m Elizabeth Comfort on 26 Sep 1818 (?). 9 children.
H. Amy Hopper - b 29 Sep 1794. m Elias Stevens. 7 children.
I. Margaret Hopper - b 11 Mar 1797. m _______ Sanford.
J. Ira Hopper - b 1 Feb 1799.
K. Elizabeth Hopper - b 6 Jun 1801. m William Tyron Churchill on 15 Jan 1820. d 1887. 2 children.
L. Sally (or Fanny) Hopper - b 2 Oct 1804. m ______ Spencer.

II. JAMES B. ROCKWELL - b 6 Mar 1763 in Ridgefield, CN. Married Hannah (__?___) about 1783. Moved to Chemung Co., NY about 1788. d 15 Feb 1835 in Scioto Co., OH. James is the next generation of our Rockwell line.

III. ESTHER ROCKWELL - b 19 Mar 1769 in Orange Co., NY. m Abraham Vail on 30 Jul 1789 in the Presbyterian Church of Goshen, NY. Abraham was a prominent citizen of Orange Co., and a Revolutionary War General. Listed in the 1800 Census of Goshen, Orange Co., NY with 4 boys -10, 1 boy 10-16, and 3 girls -10. Members of this family later moved to Chemung Co., NY. 14 Children (7 boys and 7 girls)

IV. BENJAMIN ROCKWELL - b . Supposed to have gone to Prattsburg, Stuben Co., NY to join some of the Bennett family.

V. JONATHAN ROCKWELL - b 1777. m 1st unknown. m 2nd Hannah Rawson. Served as a Lieutenant in Capt. Samuel Tuthill's Co., Lt Col Jacob Swartwood's Regiment of NY Militia from 2 Jan 1814 until 10 Jan 1814. Jonathan was paid $7.74 wages and $3.20 for subsistence for this period of service. He was a member of the Wellsburg Baptist Church in Chemung Co., and is listed in the 1800 and 1810 Census. In the 1810 Census he is shown with 4 girls -10 and 1 girl 10-16. This family moved to Terre Haute, IN about 1820 and Jonathan died in Parke Co., IN.

A. Henry Thompson Rockwell - b 11 Mar 1815 in Horseheads, NY. m Lucinda Loree (8 Mar 1818 - 25 Jan 1902). d 26 Jun 1897 and buried in Terre Haute, IN. 8 children
    1. Clay Rockwell - b . Had a son, Robert L. Rockwell, who was a member of the Lafayette Escadrille, the famed WW I fighter squadron of Americans who flew for the French prior to America's entry into the War.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & HANNAH BENNETT continued.

VI. WILLIAM B. ROCKWELL - b 16 Sep 1781 in Orange Co. NY. m 1st Anna Kelsey on 8 Nov 1801. Anna , the daughter of Abner Kelsey,was b 19 Oct 1788 and died 19 Dec 1806. She is buried in the McConnel Cemetery in Chemung Co. which was on the original McConnel land grant and which later became William's farm. m 2nd Nancy Bennett on 15 Feb 1807 or 18 Feb 1808. Nancy was b 26 Aug 1791 in Big Flats, the daughter of Abraham Bennett and Jerusha Wanzer, and a sister of John and Comfort Bennett (see the data Bennett Family data on the preceding pages). She died 1 Jan 1859 and is also buried in the McConnel Cemetery. William is shown in at least 13 land transaction records as buying and selling property in Tioga (now Chemung) Co. NY. William and Nancy are shown in the 1810 Census living next door to his brother, Jonathan, and with, apparently, William's parents as members of his household. William died in Horseheads, NY on 24 Nov 1863. The court records of William's estate name the children of his daughter, Anna Scofield as all living in Scioto Co., OH (near William's brother, James).

A. Anna Rockwell - b . m ________ Scofield. d 1862 in Scioto Co., OH. Mentioned in the will of her grandfather, Abner Kelsey, probated 19 Nov 1816.
   1. Thomas Scofield - b
   2. Esther Coryell Scofield - b
   3. Sally Scofield - b
   4. Anna Scofield - b
   5. Jackson Scofield - b

B. Daniel Bennett Rockwell - b 10 Jan 1809 in Big Flats. m 1st Mary Breese (8 Mar 1813 - 9 Sep 1860). m 2nd Frances Coleman. m 3rd Etta Jansen, a 26 year old widow in Dec 1864. Daniel d 11 Jan 1874.
   1. William Rockwell - b c1831. m Miami Allington, the dau of Rev Jacob & Catharine Allington. d in Rockton, Ill. 2 Children: dau who d young & George W. Rockwell (1855-1946) who m Aminta Van Wert.

   **** 2. Celestia D. Rockwell - b 26 Nov 1834. m Charles Brasted Hammond. d 29 Jun 1874.

   3. Andrew J. Rockwell - b 18 Mar 1836. d 4 Dec 1888. 3 children: Ida, Nellie, & Andrew.

   **** 4. Edmund S. Rockwell - b 8 May 1838. m Hannah Augusta Baker (b 9 Sep 1842 - d 18 Aug 1897) on 2 Jan 1861. d 18 Aug 1905. 6 Children: Miles b 1864 - d age 15, Francis G. b 29 Oct 186?, Bernice J. b 14 Oct 1868, Emma J. b 5 May 1873, Minerva M. b 5 Nov 1878, and Lena R. Rockwell b 6 Mar 1881.

   5. Henry Fletcher Rockwell - b 5 Apr 1840. Served in the Civil War. m 1st Francis Scofield, a dau of Abraham and Eliza Scofield. m 2nd Adelaide Saunders. Living in Horseheads in 1874. d 1916. 3 children: Mina C. b 10 Jan 1868, Lena P. b 28 Aug 1878, and Henry Fletcher Rockwell Jr b 17 Nov 1882.
   6. Miles Rockwell - b 13 Dec 1845. d during the Civil War in the Andersonville, GA prison on 1 Sep 1864. A member of the 14th NY Artillery.
   7. Mary Frances Rockwell - b 12 Aug 1847. d 27 Dec 1875 unmarried.
   8. Ella G. Rockwell - b 17 Apr 1853. m Abraham S. Goff. d after 1941.

C. Esther V. Rockwell - b 16 Oct 1811. d 21 Jul 1826.

D. Asa M. Rockwell - b 28 Nov 1813. d 3 Jul 1814.

E. Silas B. Rockwell - b 28 Jun 1815. m Pamela White who was b c1817.
   1. Soloman Rockwell - b c1845
   2. William Rockwell - b c1847.
   3. Cynthia Rockwell - b c1849.
   4. Mary A. Rockwell - b c1852
   5. Sarah Rockwell - b c1855.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & HANNAH BENNETT continued.

- F. Mary B. Rockwell - b 28 Oct 1817. m Curtis Miles of Veteran Twp. d 5 May 1873.
  1. William Miles - b
  2. Edward or Edmund Miles - b
  3. James Miles - b
- G. Abram Bennett Rockwell - b 10 Jan 1819 in Big Flats. m Mary Vail Hawkins, dau of Ira & Hannah Vail Hawkins on 2 Jan or 1 Feb 1849 in Big Flats. Mary was b 29 Mar 1824 in Chester, Orange Co., NY. Abram d in Horseheads on 17 Mar 1886.
  1. Nancy Rockwell - b c1850. m Morris D. Bennett on 11 Dec 1872. 4 Children: Mary L., Williard M, Linnie F., & Floyd S. Bennett.
  2. Hannah R. Rockwell - b c1852. m Willis B. Sayre 30 Sep 1885.
  3. Phebe Addie Rockwell - b 2 Apr 1858. m 13 Dec 1888 to John Ira Howell (15 Aug 1851 - 23 Jan 1905). d 17 Dec 1927. 5 children: Ira, Mary R, Jennie Julia, Albert Benton, and John Willis Howell.
  4. Filinda (Linnie) Rockwell - b c1856. m 21 Jan 1877 to Albert B. Fitch of Elmira.
- H. Jonathan B. Rockwell - b 2 Mar 1821. m Sophronia Donaldson. Jonathan d 22 Nov 1892 and is buried in Horseheads with his son John, age 14 and George, age 11, who both d in 1863. In the settlement of Jonathan's estate, his widow is named along with almost 30 brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces.
- I. Ezra M. Rockwell - b 26 Mar 1823. m Phoebe Pierce (b 1 Oct 1832). Ezra d 1903.
  1. Caroline Rockwell - b 24 Jun 1853. m LeGrande Carr. d 9 Jul 1923.
  2. James Rockwell - b 10 Nov 1856.
  3. Lina Rockwell - b 8 Jan 1859. m Reuben Westervelt.
  4. William Rockwell - b 18 Aug 1861. d Oct 1863.
- J. Jackson Rockwell - b 7 Aug 1824. d 25 Mar 1825.
- K. Andrew J. Rockwell - b 7 Aug 1825. d 24 Mar 1827.
- L. Charles D. Rockwell - b 26 Aug 1827/8. m Susan Stocum (b 29 Nov 1830 - d 3 Mar 1913). d 19 Sep 1901. Both are buried in Horseheads along with their dau Anna who d 1866, age 11.
  1. Anna Rockwell - b c1855. d 1866 age 11.
  2. Amanda Rockwell - b
  3. Fay Rockwell - b
  4. Charles Rockwell Jr. - b
  5. Carrie Rockwell - b
- M. Issac O. Rockwell - b 17 Aug 1829.
- N. Philinda R. Rockwell - b 25 Feb 1832. m George Chapman (1832-1905) son of Elihu Chapman and his 2nd wife, Hannah Howell. d 5 June 1895.
  1. Isaac Chapman - b 26 Nov 1858. m Belle Hewitt (2 Sep 1861 - 12 Aug 1951) dau of Elijah and Ann Bower Hewitt. d 25 Dec 1953. 2 Children: Glen, and Ethel.
- O. John B. Rockwell - b 27 Aug 1834. m Mary Orwin. John was alive in 1892.
  1. Abram Rockwell - b c1862
  2. William Rockwell - b Aug 1864.
  3. Sarah Rockwell - b c1874.

VII. SALLY (SARAH) ROCKWELL - b 4 Apr or May 1786 in Orange County., NY. m 1st Benjamin Atwood by whom she had a daughter, Milla. m 2nd John Bennett (4 Apr 1786 - 8 Feb 1837), a brother of Comfort Bennett, and a son of Abraham Bennett and Jerusha Wanzer. Sally's family were members of the Wellsburg Baptist Church. She died 29 Nov 1849 and is listed in the 1850 Federal Census Mortality Schedules for the Town of Big Flats, Chemung Co. as "Sarah Bennett, age 63, Female, widow, born NY, died Dec 1849, Dropsy of heart - sudden".

- A. Milla Atwood - b
- B. Comfort Bennett - b 18 Dec 1809. d 7 Aug 1844.

THE CHILDREN OF JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & HANNAH BENNETT continued.

C. Jerusha Bennett - b
D. Deborah Bennett - b
E. Thomas Bennett - b
F. Elas Bennett - b
G. Josiah Bennett - b Jun 1820.
H. Hannah Bennett - b 15 Mar 1823.
I. Miles Corell Bennett - b 1830.

**** I. C. Olive Hopper. R. J. Williamson, PO Box 1175, Ross, CA 94957, and Ms Helen Urtheil, 1441 Kingsley Lane, Carson City, NV 89701, both descend from Olive.

**** VI. B. 2. Celestia D. Rockwell. Mr. Thomas Elliott Hammond, 13727 NE 74th Street, Redmond, WA 98052-4037 is a great-grandson of Celestia.

**** VI. B. 4. Edmund S. Rockwell. Mr. Weeden Rockwell Nichols, 2906 Hillcrest Dr., Hays, KS 67601 is a great-grandson of Edmund. nichols@dailynews.net

The above 4 persons exchanged data with the author 1994 - 1999. It is through their assistance that the generation of the Jonathan Rockwell III & Hannah Bennett family lines are as complete as shown. Weeden Nichols is a Director of the "Rockwell Family Foundation" and has an extensive computerized file on these Rockwell lines up to the current generations and corresponds with Tom Hammond exchanging information. Tom and Weeden are expert genealogists and due a lot of credit for their efforts.

1800 FEDERAL CENSUS
TIOGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

The following entries are from the 1800 Federal Census of Tioga County, New York. In 1836 part of Tioga County was split off and became Chemung County. The Census records do not indicate specifically where in Tioga County these families lived, but from land records, etc., we can assume they lived in that area of Tioga County that later became Chemung County.

	FREE WHITE MALES Ages					FREE WHITE FEMALES Ages					
NAMES OF HEADS OF FAMILIES	-10	10-15	16-25	26-44	45+	-10	10-15	16-25	26-44	45+	
Joseph Handy	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	A
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James Handy	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	
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Cornelius Hopper	2	-	-	1	-	3	2	1	1	-	B
Gamaliel Townsend	1	1	*	*	-	4	1	2	1	-	
Jonathan Rockwell	1	1	*	*	1	3	-	-	1	1	C
Gershom Bennett	3	-	1	*	1	1	-	-	1	-	D
Benjamin Bentley	1	-	-	*	1	1	-	1	-	-	
Green Bentley, Jur	-	-	-	*	1	-	1	-	-	1	
Henry Wells	1	-	1	*	1	2	-	-	1	-	
Thaddeus Bennett	2	-	1	*	-	1	2	1	1	1	
Abner Kelsey	3	-	-	*	-	1	2	1	1	1	E
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Peter Mead	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	
Matthew Carpenter	2	-	-	1	-	3	3	1	-	-	
Peter Barlow	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	
Jonathan Rockwell	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	F
James Rockwell	2	2	1	-	1	2	1	1	1	-	G
3 names											
Peter Mead	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	
2 names											
Thomas Scofield	3	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	H
1 name											
John Rickey	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	
John Rickey, Jur	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	
1 name											
End of Census											

* = the entry was damaged or illegible

A = Apparently living in the "Town of Union"
B = Husband of Hannah Rockwell, daughter of Jonathan Rockwell III and Hannah Bennett.
C = Jonathan Rockwell III and Hannah.
D = Probably Gersham Bennett JR.
E = Probably grandfather of Anna Kelsey, 1st wife of William B. Rockwell, son of Jonathan III & Hannah.
F = Son of Jonathan Rockwell III & Hannah Bennett.
G = Son of Jonathan Rockwell III & Hannah Bennett, brother of Jonathan, next door.
H = Grandson of William B. Rockwell, through his daughter, Anna.

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN JONATHAN ROCKWELL III & JAMES ROCKWELL

The 7 generations of Rockwells shown up to this point have been pretty well accepted by most Rockwell researchers as being correct. When we come to the relationship between Jonathan Rockwell III and James Rockwell, his presumed son, we run into a problem.

As of today, we have found no SPECIFIC record that states that Jonathan Rockwell III and his wife, Hannah Bennett, had a son named James - no birth or baptismal certificate, no Will or Probate record. I, however, place James as a son of Jonathan III and Hannah based upon the following:

1. Jonathan III and Hannah were living in Warwick Twp., Orange County, NY from about 1773 until about 1791. They are listed in the First US Census of 1790 in Warwick Twp. We are quite sure we located James Rockwell in the 1790 Census in Chemung County, NY where it appears he is a "squatter" on Lot #112 as early as 1788. About 1791 Jonathan III and Hannah moved to Chemung County with several of their known younger children. It would be highly unusual in a sparsely settled area like Chemung Co., to find TWO Rockwells who were not related. At that time in our history, when families moved, they moved in family groups. I believe that Jonathan and Hannah moved to Chemung Co. to join their son, James.

2. James Rockwell sold part of his original land grant, Lot #112, to Cornelius Hopper, the husband of Hannah Rockwell in 1799. Hannah is a proven daughter of Jonathan Rockwell III. This land transaction would be Hannah's brother selling land to his brother-in-law.

3. An adjacent land owner next to James Rockwell's Lot #112 was Abner Kelsey, the father of Anna Kelsey who married William B. Rockwell. William was a proven son of Jonathan III. James' neighbor would be his brother's father-in-law. Another example of family relationships.

4. On the 5th of June 1799, James Rockwell and Jonathan Rockwell purchased lots #8 and #9 from Robert Johnson. These lots are adjacent to one another next to, what is today, the Chemung County Air Port. I believe this is a father and a son, each individually, purchasing adjacent property on the SAME DAY. This did not happen spontaneously or accidentally; it was a planned move in joint coordination.

5. In 1789 the original members of the Wellsburg Baptist Church were listed by the Rev. Roswell Goff. In the 66 names listed we find Jonathan Rockwell III, his son, Jonathan Rockwell Jr., his son-in-law Cornelius Hopper, and James Rockwell.

6. In 1805, James Rockwell and his wife, Hannah, sold land to Jerusha Wanzer Bennett and her son Comfort Bennett. Jerusha stated that she purchased this property " from relatives". Jonathan Rockwell III's wife was Hannah Bennett who was related to Jerusha through marriage. This land transaction would have been between cousins.

7. James date of birth, 1763, would "fit" the family of Jonathan III and Hannah who were married in 1760.

8. In the general migration to Scioto Co., Ohio in 1815/16, James and Hannah were accompanied by Bennetts and a proven granddaughter of Jonathan III, Anna Scofield. Here again it was "family groups" moving together.

9. A careful review of all available data on the Rockwell lines of James' generation do not disclose a "James Rockwell" from some other Rockwell family who is "loose" or can not be accounted for - the process of elimination.

Based upon the above, I place James Rockwell as the eldest son of Jonathan Rockwell III and his wife, Hannah Bennett.

OUR EIGHTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JAMES B. ROCKWELL & HANNAH (??)

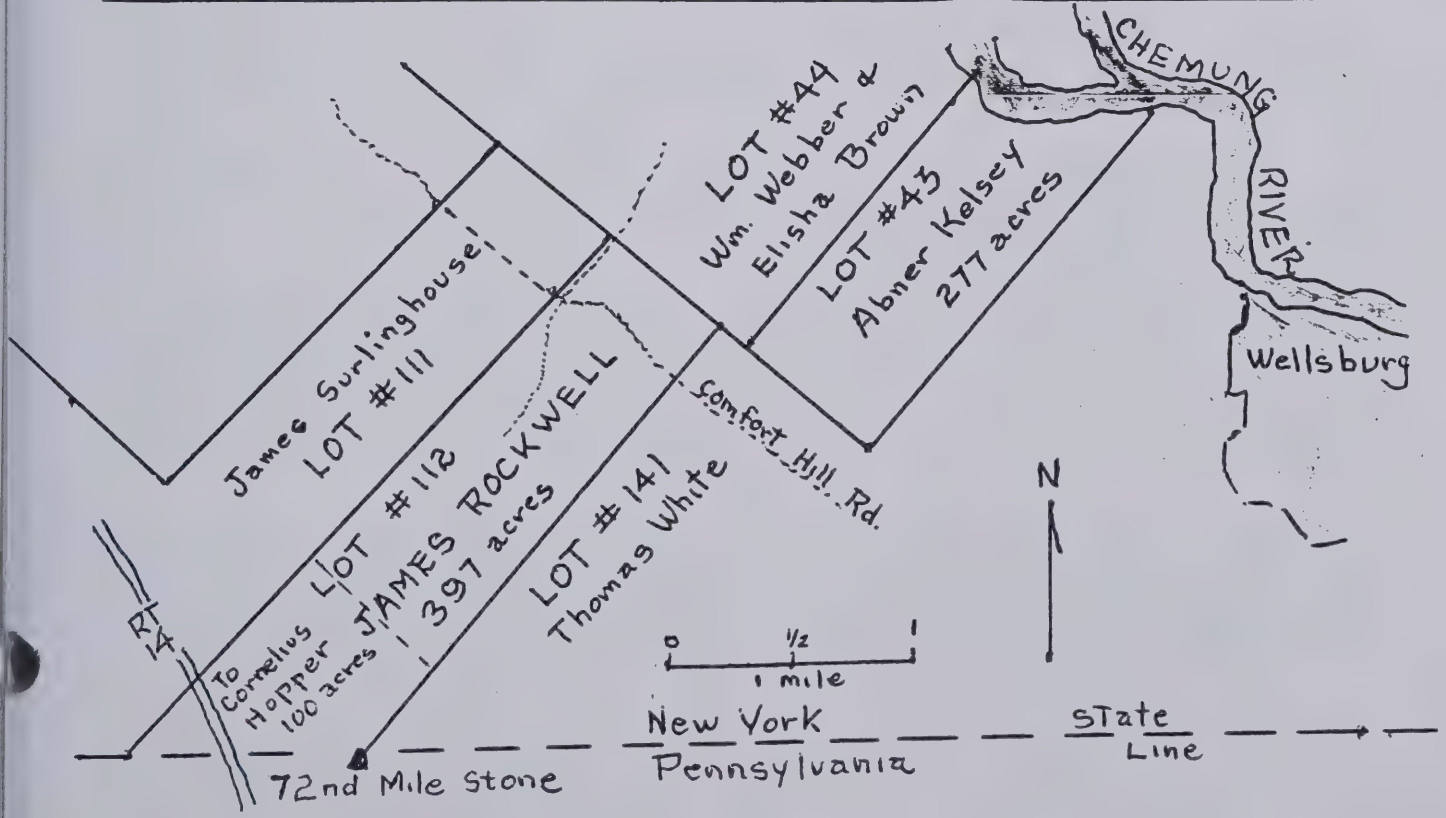
I place James Rockwell as the eldest son of Jonathan Rockwell III and his wife, Hannah Bennett based upon the data from the preceding page. If James' tombstone is correct, he was born on 6 March 1763. In all probability this event occurred in Ridgefield Township, Fairfield County, Connecticut. We have found no record of his birth or specific record of his parents.

As a child of about 9 years of age, James moved with his parents from Ridgefield to Warwick Township, Orange County, New York. James' father served in the Orange County Militia during the Revolution. James would have been eligible to serve in the militia during the last two years of the War (1781 -1783), but we have found no record of him being called into active service.

We have not been able to locate exactly where or when James married. We assume the marriage took place in Orange County about 1784 when James would have been about 21 years old. We know from later records that his wife's name was Hannah, but have not been able to determine what her maiden name was nor the names of her parents. It is possible that James was involved in some of the movements into Pennsylvania and the resulting conflict over who had rights to the land.

On the 28th of February, 1789, the New York Legislature confirmed a report of its commissioners and authorized the commissioners of the land office to patent the lands to the parties shown on a map which they had presented. This map was dated 1788 and showed the parties who desired the land in Montgomery (now Chemung) County. Some of these individuals were evidently living on these lots prior to the time the map was made in 1788. The commissioners issued their first patent award on 16 April 1790.

A review of the 1788 map shows our James Rockwell as the original patentee for lot #112 which consisted of 397 acres. It is highly probable that James and Hannah were "squatters" on this land several years before the map of 1788 was drawn up even though he did not have clear title to the property. There is no doubt that they were among the first settlers in this region.


CHEMUNG RIVER
LOT #44
Wm. Webber &
Elisha Brown
LOT #43
Abner Kelsey
277 acres
Wellsburg
James Surlinghouse!
LOT #111
LOT #112
JAMES ROCKWELL
397 acres
LOT #141
Thomas White
Comfort Hill Rd.
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LOT
To Cornelius Hopper
100 acres
New York
State
Line
Pennsylvania
72nd Mile Stone

It is not clear when James received a clear title to Lot #112, but we can assume it was in the vicinity of 1792. Note that Lot #43, adjacent to Lot #112, was owned by Abner Kelsey who was the father of Anna Kelsey, the 1st wife of James' brother, William B. Rockwell. Lot #114 was awarded to John Hendy, and Lots #115 & #120 were awarded to Thomas Hendy, possible future relatives of their son, Ephrium Rockwell. James and Hannah later disposed of this property as follows and as shown in the Tioga (Chemung) County records of deeds:

6 July 1799 Recorded 15 Apr 1804. 100 acres to Cornelius Hopper, the husband of James' older sister, Hannah. Vol 1, pg. 338.

15 Feb 1804 Recorded 5 Mar 1804. 80 acres and 13 acres to Rev. Roswell Goff, their minister at the Wellsburg Baptist Church, for $200. Vol. 2, pg. 176.

15 Feb 1804 Recorded 5 Mar 1804. 83 acres to Jonathan Rockwell for $200. Jonathan in turn sold this land to Jacob Comfort for $300 on 16 Apr 1808. We assume this is Jonathan Rockwell III, James' father, in that James' son, Jonathan would have only been about 17 years old.

James signed all of these transactions and Hannah, who could not write her name, signed with an "X". James and Hannah retained some of Lot #112 because the above transactions account for only 276 acres of the original 397 acres. About 1806, James and Hannah moved northwestward about 11 miles to a new home on land they had previously purchased in 1799.

OTHER CHEMUNG COUNTY LAND TRANSACTIONS

On the 5th of June 1799, James and Jonathan purchased land in the southeast corner of Township #1 which was about 3 miles west of Horseheads. James purchased Lot #8 and Jonathan Lot #9. Each lot consisted of 100 acres and cost $312.50. These lots were purchased from Robert C. Johnson, his wife, Catherine, and Samuel Corp and his wife, Anna. Johnson was evidently in the real estate business, because he is shown in a large number of land transactions. He allegedly lived in New York City. Robert Johnson held the mortgages for this property, which was to be paid at the rate of 1/4 of the sale price, plus interest, on the 1st of April each year from 1801 to 1804. These mortgages were recorded on 9 Sep 1799. James' mortgage is recorded in Vol 1, pg. 46, and was paid off on 22 Nov 1805 as recorded in Book 4, pg. 229, at Owego, NY.

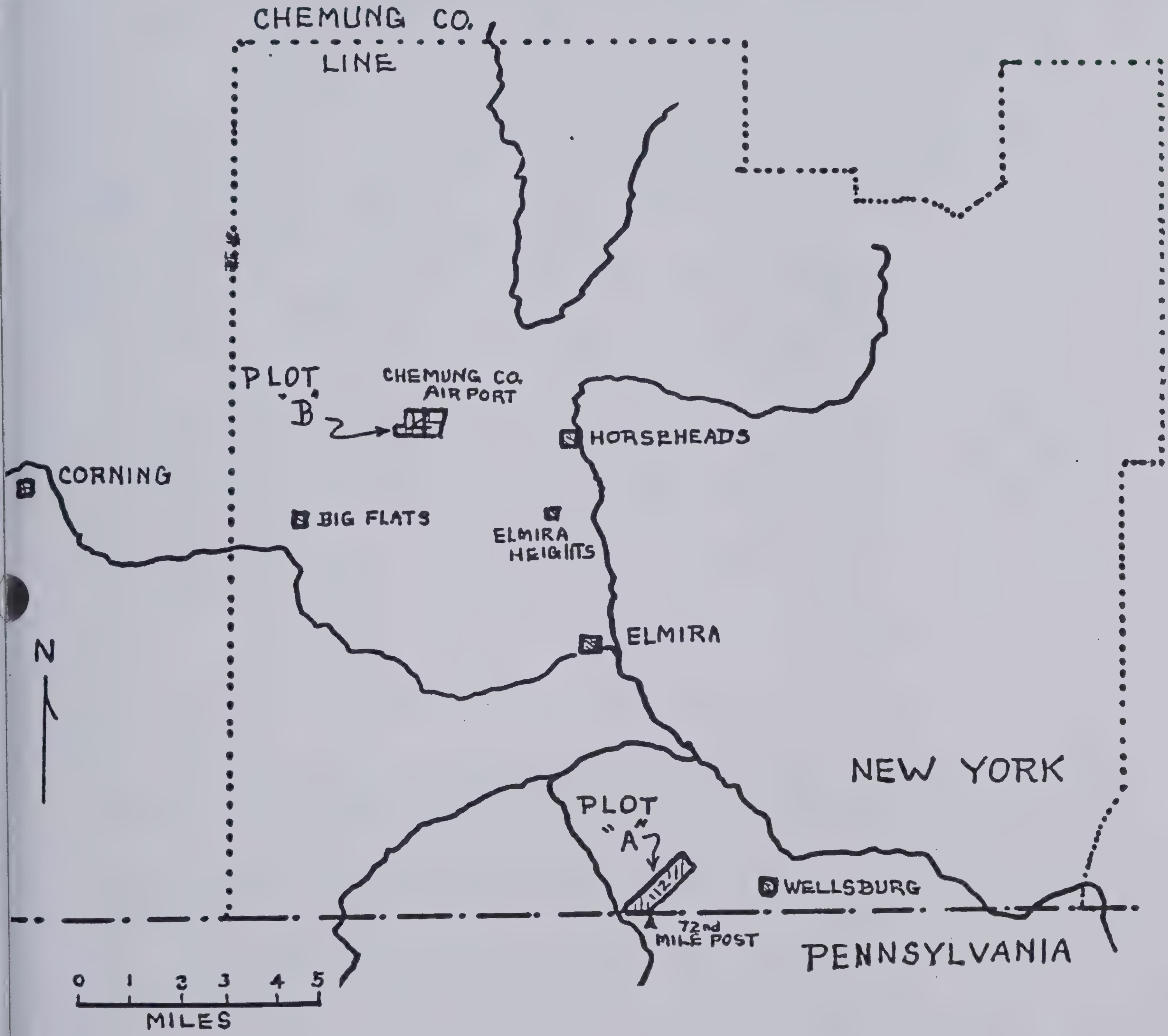
As recorded in Book 2, pg. 484, James and Hannah sold Lot #8 on 5 Dec 1805 to Jerusha Wanzer Bennett and Comfort Bennett for $800. Jerusha Bennett was the widow of Abraham Bennett from Orange Co. James' brother and sister, William and Sally, married two of Jerusha's children, Nancy and John Bennett. Comfort Bennett was another son of Jerusha. Comfort remained in Chemung Co, while his mother later moved to Stuben Co. with another of her sons, Daniel Bennett.

Some of the Rockwell neighbors at this time were the Goff, Shriver and Gardner families to the northwest, the Whitney, Brown and Scofield families to the north, and the Mead, Goble, Rickey, TenBrock and Livesey families to the northeast. All lived within 2 miles of the Rockwells.

On the 23rd of March, 1813, James and Hannah purchased 150 acres from James Pumpelly of Owego for $525.60. This is Lot F on the following map. Peter Mead, a neighbor, was witness to this deed which was recorded in Vol. 3, pg. 546. James Pumpelly held the mortgage on this property, which was paid off on 14 Feb 1833 (Vol. 1, pg. 196 & Book 7, pg. 80). On the 3rd of January 1815 (Vol. 4, pg. 84), James and Hannah sold this lot to Charles Fry for $750. This transaction apparently closed out their property holdings in Chemung County and was probably sold to prepare for their next move, to the Ohio frontier.

Note on the map on the next page, that we have a father, Jonathan Rockwell III, 3 of his sons, James, William and Jonathan, and a grandson, Ephrium, all purchasing adjacent property. It also appears that they made a few dollars profit on some of these deals - land speculation is not a new business concept!

MAP OF CHEMUNG COUNTY, NEW YORK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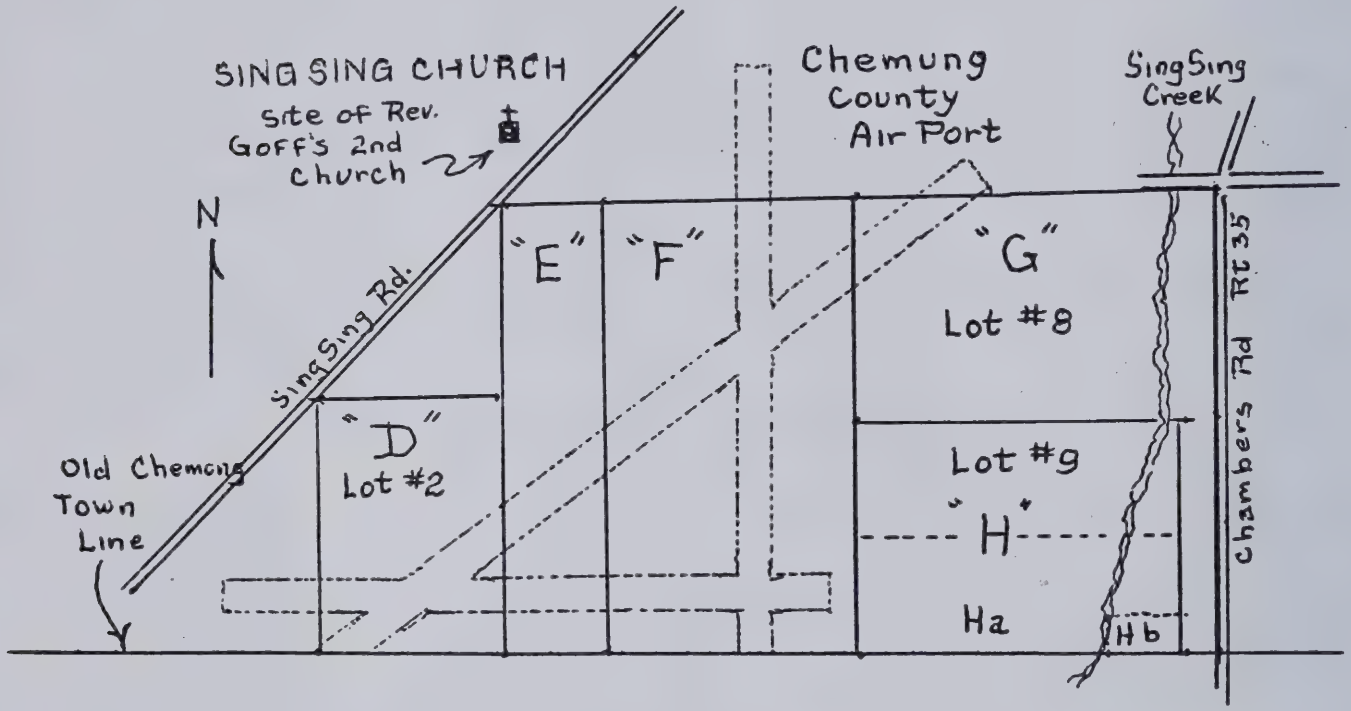
PLOT "B"
CHEMUNG CO. AIR PORT
HORSEHEADS
CORNING
BIG FLATS
ELMIRA HEIGHTS
ELMIRA
N
NEW YORK
PLOT "A"
112
WELLSBURG
72nd MILE POST
PENNSYLVANIA
0 1 2 3 4 5
MILES

PLOT "A" = Lot #112, granted to James Rockwell c1790.

PLOT "B" = Multiple lots purchased by Ephrium, James, Jonathan, and William Rockwell 1799 - 1815

The Rockwells initially lived in the vicinity of Wellsburg, and belonged to the Wellsburg Baptist Church. They later moved northeast to the PLOT "B" area and belonged to the SingSing Church.

THE ROCKWELL "CHEMUNG COUNTY AIRPORT" LAND PLOTS


SING SING CHURCH
Site of Rev. Goff's 2nd Church
N
Sing Sing Rd.
Old Chemung Town Line
"D"
Lot #2
"E"
"F"
Chemung County Air Port
Sing Sing Creek
"G"
Lot #8
Lot #9
"H"
Ha
Hb
Chambers Rd Rt 35

D	17 May 1815	James Pumpelly to William Rockwell, 44 acres for $130, being the south 1/2 of Lot #2 (Vol 4, pg. 499)
E	21 Jul 1812	James Pumpelly to Ephrium Rockwell, 75 acres for $260.50 (Vol 3, pg. 538)
	9 Jun 1814	Ephrium Rockwell and wife, Anna, sold to Alfred Fry for $531.60 75 acres (Vol 4, pg 127)
F	23 Mar 1813	James Pumpelly to James Rockwell, 150 acres for $525.60 (Vol 3, pg 546)
	3 Jan 1815	James Rockwell of Elmira Twp to Charles Fry, 150 acres for $750 (Vol 2, pg 72)
G	5 Jun 1799	Robert Johnson & Samuel Corp to James Rockwell for $313.50 (Vol 2, pg 72)
	5 Dec 1805	James and Hannah Rockwell to Jerusha Bennett & Comfort Bennett for $800.00, 100 acres, known as Lot #8 (Book 2, pg 484) recorded 26 Feb 1807. This land is now a shopping mall!
H	5 Jun 1799	Robert Johnson and Samuel Corp to Jonathan Rockwell, 100 acres for $312.50, known as Lot #9 (Vol 3, pg 571)
Ha	16 Apr 1808	Jonathan Rockwell Jr and Hannah (Jonathan also referred to as "Jonathan 2d" in the same deed) to William Rockwell for the sum of gold a hundred dollars, 1/2 of Lot #9 (Vol 3, pg 570)
Hb	4 Jun 1807	Jonathan Rockwell and Hannah Rockwell to Hezekiah Mead, 4 1/2 acres for $60.00 (Vol 3, pg 44)

THE WELLSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH RECORDS

It should be noted that we had 2 Jonathan Rockwell's, father and son, and James Rockwell, all living in the same atea at the same time, AND ALL THREE MARRIED TO WOMEN BY THE NAME OF HANNAH - hence, we have 3 HANNAH ROCKWELLs! In the land and church records, it is confusing enough with 2 Jonathan's, but with 3 Hannah Rockwell's, it is sometimes impossible to determine which-is-which!

A photocopy of the original records of the Wellsburg Baptist Church is kept by the Chemung County Historical Society in a bank vault in Elmira. The Wellsburg Baptist Church was the first church west of Binghamton in New York State. It was founded by the Rev. Roswell Goff who was recommended by the Baptist Church of Crhist at Pittstown (Pittston, PA). The original church was located south of Elmira, near Wellsburg. (Note: James Rockwell sold Rev Goff part of Lot #112 in 1804.) The original covenant and regulations were expressed as follows:

"Sep 2, 1789 Whereas we a Number of members belonging to Different Churches having our lots cast in this wilderness Land in the town of Chemung do find ourselves bound under obligation of the Christ as we being far Distant From the privilege of any Gospel Church of Christ do give ourselves to the watch and care of each other. And covenant to walk together in the rules of the Gospel; and agree to meet on the first Tuesday of every week for conference, and on the first day of every week for the public worship of God, according to the doctrines of the gospel of Christ."

This declaration was followed by 21 names of the original founders, 8 of whom were received from the Pittstown Church, and 6 by letter from the Warwick Church. Though organized in 1789, the church did not start records until February 1891. Thaddeus Bennett was a Deacon in 1797. On the second membership list, which is not dated, there are 66 names of members of the church:

(1) Roswell Goff
- - - - - - -
(9) Jonathan Rockwell
- - - - - - -
(14) Jonathan Rockwell Jr.
- - - - - - -
(18 James Rockwell
- - - - - - -
(24) Cornelius Hopper

(1) Hannah Rockwell
- - - - - - -
(15) Hannah Hopper
- - - - - - -
(22) Hannah Rockwell the 2nd

The remaining records of the Church give no marriage, death or baptism of children names or dates. They are more of a chronological list of Church activities and the deeds (and misdeeds) of the parishioners. It should be remembered that one of the main objectives of all churches was to attempt to keep it's members on the path of religious righteousness; "to watch and care of each other". In those days, the Church had a very prominent part in the daily lives of the family. A few pertinent Rockwell entries extracted from the Wellsburg Church records are as follows:

"1794 Aug 2 Jonathan and Hannah Rockwell received by letters of dismissal from the Warwick Church." (Warwick, Orange Co., NY - this is Jonathan III and his wife)

"1797 Jan 19 Received by proof of faith and baptised: Ephrium Bennitt, James Rockwell, Jesse Keeny, Adam Ripenbark, James Bentley, Ally Ricky, Mercy Ripenbark, Rosannah VanCamp, Sarah Hillman."
"Mar 19 Received by proof of faith and baptised: Jonathan Rockwell, Sarah Partial, Sarah Rockwell." (This is probably Jonathan and Sally (Sarah), children of Jonathan III)
"Apr 2 Received by proof of faith and baptised: David Parrtial, Ezra Mead, Hannah Rockwell."
"Apr 30 Received by proof of faith and baptised: Benjamin Bently, Hannah Rockwell, Phebe Drake."

"1798 Jan 6 Cornelius Hopper admonished for drinking to hard."

"1800 Nov 1 Charge against Sarah Rockwell by her mother, Hannah, for vain dansing and vain mirth."
"1801 May 3 Letters sent to Nancy Bennitt and Abraham and William Bennitt asking why they don't join the Church at Sandrootson -- same to John Seely at Bath."
"Aug 1 Sarah Rockwell cited for neglect of meeting. Thaddeus Bennit found her indifferent. Hannah Rockwell the 3rd excommunicated. Jonathan Rockwell excommunicated."
"Sep 5 members wanted to take the covenant to SingSing --- James Rockwell refused."
"Nov 7 case against James Rockwell' refusal to sign the covenant discussed. Ebenezer Snow baptised."
"Oct 3 Ebez Goff and Townsend are to visit James Rockwell to see why he refused."

"1802 Feb 6 Goff and Townsend reported the reason for James Rockwell refusing to sign the church covenant -- received full satisfaction."
"May Hannah Rockwell to visit sister VanCamp as to her reluctance to attend church."

"1803 May 7 appointed Jonathan Rockwell and Thadeus Bennit to report on William Bennett -- on Mar 3 it was noted that he had lived in the vicinity 5-6 weeks and worked on Sunday."

"1804 Jan 4 Gershom Bennitt dismissed. Epriam Bennitt, rite him from the church."
"Oct 6 Eben Snow and Hannah Rockwell to visit Jonathan Rockwell Jr."
"1805 Oct 12 Accusations made against Br. Jonathan Rockwell Jr for vain dancing and profane language."

"1806 "Jan 4 withdrew hand of fellowship from Jonathan Rockwell Jr for neglect of duty."
"Nov 4 voted to give Hannah Rockwell, wife of James Rockwell a dismision from this church so that she may join another of the same faith and gospel also the same voted for John Mitchell and wife Sarah and brother Ephriam Bennitt."

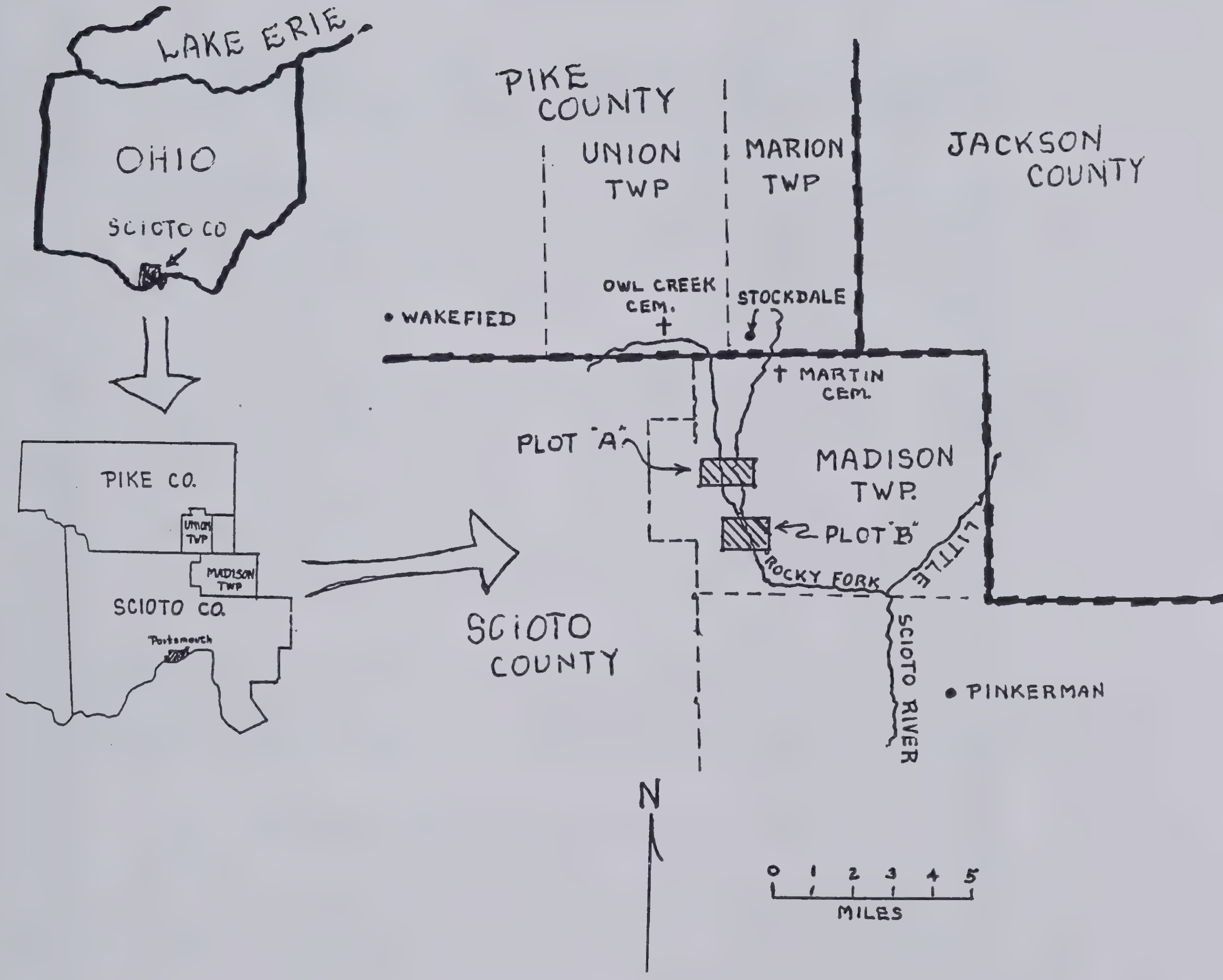
"1807 Aug the 3rd Letter of dismissal granted to the following: Ebenezer Snow, David Harris, Ally Ricky, Sally TenBroek, Lydia Carpenter, Ester Waier, James Rockwell, when joined to any other of the same faith and gospel."
"Nov Brethren James Rockwell and Benjamin Schoonover visited from the church at SingSing."

There are no other mentions in the records of the Wellsburg Church for any Rockwells. The letters of dismissal granted to James and Hannah were probably at the time when they decided to follow Rev. Goff when he moved from the Wellsburg Church and founded his new church at SingSing. This new church was located across the SingSing Road from the Rockwell properties near the present day Chemung County Airport. There are no surviving records for the SingSing Church. Rev Goff died 30 Apr, 1833 at the age of 34 and is buried in the Big Flat Pioneer Cemetery. As a "side-light"; when researching my mother's family in Scotland in the early 1800s, I ran into church records that were identical to the ones found in Wellsburg. There were the same types of comments where parishioners were admonished for "vain dancing and mirth", "drinking to hard", and even for "telling the Deacon to mind his own business"!

THE MOVE TO SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO

In the fall of 1815 and spring of 1816, there was a general migration of a large group of settlers from Chemung County, New York to southern Ohio. These folks were evidently attracted by virgin land available through the United States Government. By now James and Hannah's children were age 14 to 30, some were married, and were all probably looking for the opportunities offered in the new territory. All of James and Hannah's family, along with other relatives and neighbors; the Mead's, Rickey's and Bennett's, all moved together to Scioto County, located on the south-central border of Ohio. They probably traveled from Elmira, northwest up the Great Bend and Bath Turnpike to Bath, NY, then due west on the Lake Erie Turnpike to the vicinity of Salamanca, NY, then down the Allegheny River, through Pittsburgh, PA to the Ohio River, then down the Ohio River to Portsmouth, Ohio.

THE MOVE TO MADISON TOWNSHIP
SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO
1815 - 1816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PLOT A = Approximate location of the James Rockwell property in the NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 4, Range 20.

PLOT B = Approximate location of the Ephrium Rockwell property in the NW 1/4, Section 33, Township 4, Range 20 granted to Ephrium by the the US Government on the 5th of August, 1816.

The "Turnpike" roads mentioned above, were, at that time, dirt roads about 1 1/2 wagons in width, but far better than most of the country roads! In those days most long distance travel was by water routes because of the poor and, in many cases, non-existent roads.

The Government Land Office was located in Chillicothe, up the Scioto River, in the present day, Ross County, Ohio. We know that James went there and purchased a tract of land in the south half of the NE 1/4 of Section 17, Township 4, Range 20. This land is in the present day Madison Township, Scioto County. This land would lie about 3 miles north of the town of Scioto, and about 3/4 miles to the west.

The "History of the Lower Scioto Valley", published in 1884, mentions on page 390 :- - -

> "Between this date (1797) and 1820 the following are some of the settlers who made their home in this township (Madison) -- Jas. Rockwell, Joseph Rockwell, Benjamin Rockwell, Ephriam Rockwell, Jonathan Rockwell and Ezra Rockwell -- - -."

James and Hannah are also mentioned as being early member of the Baptist Church in Madison Township. According to the obituary of Ezra Rockwell, James' son, James moved to Ohio ---

> "with his family consisting of 12 or 14 children and settled on Dogwood Ridge, near Wheelersburg in Scioto Co., about 1816, and afterwards removed to Madison Township where he died about 1833 or 1834."

On the 8th of August, 1831, James and Hannah sold 77 acres of their land to Hezekiah Mead for the sum of $5.00 (Vol. G, pg. 391). This sum was a token payment only and does not reflect the true value of the land. I am sure that this is an indication of relationship between James and Hannah, and Hezekiah. It is quite possible that this Hezekiah is their grandson, son of their daughter, Hannah Rockwell Mead.

In 1834 (month and date unknown), James and Hannah sold land in the SE 1/4 of Section 17, Twp 4, Range 20, to Jonathan Rockwell, their son. It is interesting to note that both James and Hannah signed this Deed with their "X"s. We know that James could sign his name from previous Deeds; this may be an indication of failing health.

James died on the 15th of February, 1835. He was buried in the Martin Cemetery which is located in the northwest corner of Madison Township. His tombstone gives his date of death and his age as " 71 yr., 11 mo, 9 days". A search of Scioto County records failed to locate a Will for James or any record of his death. The Martin Cemetery contains the graves of many of James and Hannah's progeny; there are at least 12 Rockwell grave markers.

JAMES AND HANNAH IN THE US CENSUS RECORDS

1790 Census Montgomery County, Chemung Township, NY. See the next page for a photocopy of page 74 on which "James Backwell" is listed.

1800 Census Tioga County, Newtown Township, NY. James Rockwell 2m & 2f -10, 2m & 1f 10-16, 1m & 1f 16-26, 1 f 26-45, 1 m 45+.

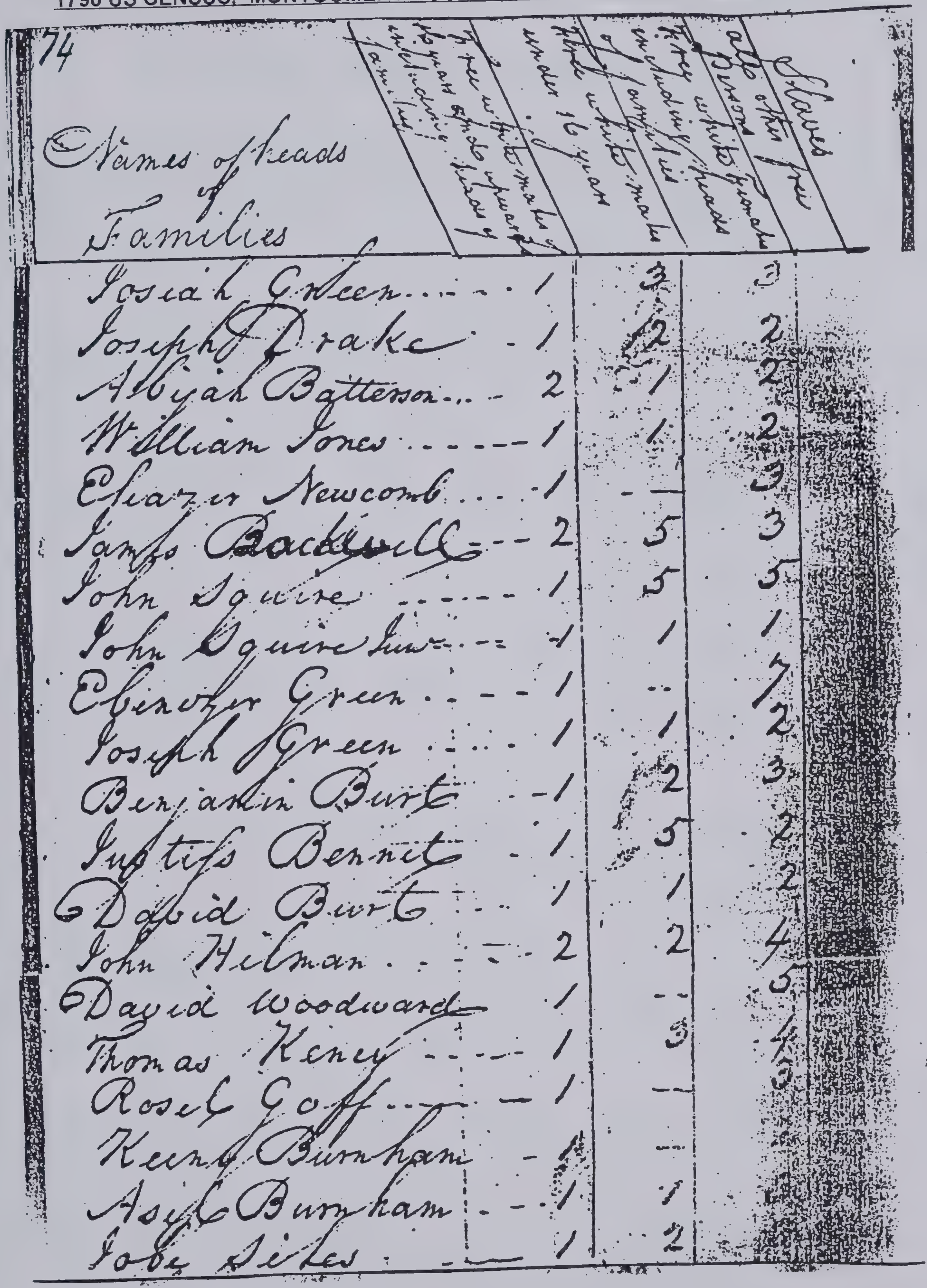
1810 Census Tioga County, Town of Elmira, NY, pg. 629, line 23. James Rockwell, 1m & 1f -10, 1m &1f 10-16, 4m & 3f 16-26, 2m 26-45, 1m & 1f 45+ . I think these numbers reflect one of James married children living within his household.

1820 Census Scioto County, Madison Township, OH, pg. 139. James Rockwell 1f 10-16, 1m & 1f 16-26, 1m & 1f 45+. 4 Sons, Joseph, Benjamin, Ephrium, Jonathan listed nearby pg 139 & 140.

1830 Census Scioto County, Madison Township, OH, pg. 70. James Rockwell, 1m 10-15, 1 m 15-20, 1f 30-40, 1m 60-70. Hannah is missing, though we know she was alive - probably helping out and living with a relative or neighbor. Sons, Ephrium, Joseph & Sarah (James Jr's widow) also shown

1840 Census No record found - James died in 1835. Hannah was still alive, but again, is probably listed with a relative and we could not locate her positively in this Census.

1790 US CENSUS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, CHEMUNG TOWN, NEW YORK, PAGE 74



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Names of heads of Families	Free white males of 16 years and upwards including heads of families	Free white males under 16 years	Free white females including heads of families	All other free persons	Slaves
Josiah Green	1	3	3		
Joseph Drake	1	2	2		
Abijah Batterson	2	1	2		
William Jones	1	1	2		
Eleazer Newcomb	1	--	3		
James Backwell	2	5	3		
John Squire	1	5	5		
John Squire Jun	1	1	1		
Ebinezer Green	1	--	7		
Joseph Green	1	1	2		
Benjamin Burt	1	2	3		
Justis Bennit	1	5	2		
Dabid Burt	1	1	2		
John Hilman	2	2	4		
David Woodward	1	--	5		
Thomas Keney	1	3	4		
Rosel Goff	1	--	3		
Keens Burnham	1	--			
Asil Burnham	1	1			
Jobe Sites	1	2			

Note the name, "**James Backwell**" appears to be over-written. We are quite sure that this is really, **James Rockwell** in that the neighbors and family size match our James Rockwell. There are 2 males over 16, 5 males under 16, and 3 females in the household. Note the Burt, Bennit, and "Rosel Goff " (their minister) neighbors.

THE FAMILY OF HANNAH ROCKWELL

Hannah was born in February, 1763, probably in Connecticut or New York. We know that her future husband, James Rockwell, was born in Ridgefield, CT., and, when of "marriage age", was living in Warwick Township, Orange County, NY. The probability is very high that Hannah's family also lived in these locations. Hannah and James were married about 1783 when Hannah was around 20 years old, probably in Orange Co., NY. However we have found no record of their marriage. It is very probable that Hannah and James were involved in some of the early migrations back and forth into New York and Pennsylvania and in the legal conflicts over the ownership of land.

We are quite sure that they were living in, what is now Chemung Co., NY, a few years prior to 1788. By today's standards, their early married life would have been very difficult; the area they settled in was untamed wilderness and would have required dawn to dusk hard manual labor to clear land and provide for their family's basic needs.

Hannah was a religious woman and belonged to the Baptist Church in Chemung Co., and later, in Ohio. We know she could not read or write because in all instances she signed her name with an "X". This is not an indication of a lack of intelligence, but an indication of the lack of opportunity for even a basic education. On the frontier, schools were few and far between and had to be paid for by the parents. More often than not, even when a school was located nearby, the child could not be spared from the chores on the family farm to be able to attend.

Hannah can be accounted for in the Census of 1790 through 1820. In the 1830 and 1840 Census, she was living, apparently included in the household of one of her children or relatives. According to her gravestone inscription, "Hannah, Wife of James Rockwell, (died) 6 May 1848, aged 85 yrs and 3 months". She is buried in the Martin Cemetery, Scioto Co., Ohio, with her husband, James, who preceded her in death by 13 years.

WHO WERE HANNAH'S PARENTS?

We spent years searching county and family histories, the Ancestral Files from the Mormon Church, etc., etc., looking for clues as to who Hannah's parents might be. Along with the possibility that she also was a Bennett, or a Rickey, the following two names were suggested as possibilities:

BURT - prominent in Warwick Twp. One Daniel Burt had a daughter, Hannah, b 24 May 1745, but who m James Benjamin. Three sons of a Benjamin Burt (1707-1796) and Anna Blain : - Benjamin Burt Jr (b 7 Mar 1750 - d 10 May 1826) m Joanna Parshall & David Burt (b 26 Mar 1760 - d 20 Jun 1828) m Hannah Bennett & Thomas Burt (b 26 May 1752 - d 24 Jul 1842) m ____ Welling. These three Burt brothers lived in Warwick Twp, served in the 4th Regt Orange Co Militia, and later moved to Chemung Co., NY. Could our Hannah be their sister?

EZRA MEAD - b 9 Oct 1737 Greenwich Twp., Fairfield Co., CT. m Tryphena Burton. Lived in Dutchess Co., NY in 1790. They had a son, Ezra Mead Jr, b 9 Aug 1766 in Dutchess Co. NY. Some claim that this is our Hannah's father and brother. Members of this family also moved to Scioto Co., OH.

Note how James and Hannah named their children: -- **Hannah** -- named after her mother. **Ephrium** -- after a possible grandfather, Ephrium Bennett. **James** -- after his father. **Jonathan** -- after grandfather, Jonathan Rockwell III. **EZRA** -- possibly this could be Hannah's father's name; it is the first time Ezra appears in our Rockwell lineage.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH

An analysis of Census and other records is inconclusive as to the number of children James and Hannah had. Placement of all the following children, with the exception of Ezra, Anna and Jonathan in the family of James and Hannah is based upon persons living in close geographic proximity, land transactions in both New York and Ohio, and relative ages. For example: In Scioto County Census records, we find James as an old man with Jonathan, Benjamin, Joseph, and Ezra, all young men, living nearby. Ezra Rockwell's obituary states that he was a son of James and one of 12 or 14 children!

I. HANNAH ROCKWELL - b c1784 in New York. Married c1799 to Judah Mead, probably in Chemung Co., NY. An inquiry in the DAR monthly magazine asked - "Judar Mead, m Hannah Rockwell in Chemung Co., NY and moved to Scioto Co., Ohio in 1818. Who were her parents?" It was this clue that lead me to look for Rockwells in Chemung Co., NY way back in the 1960s when I first started researching the Rockwell family line!

Judah Mead was b c1770, probably the son of Ebenezer Mead who is listed in the 1790 and 1800 Census of Fairfield Co., CT, and the 1810 Census of Orange Co., NY. Judah and Hannah moved to Scioto Co., Ohio, arriving on 20 Nov 1815. According to the History of Scioto County, Ohio, page 1070, they -- "located at the mouth of the Little Scioto." They lived there one winter and then moved north into Madison Township. Judah is shown on the 1835 Ohio Tax Lists in Madison Township next to his sons, Hezekiah, Ezra, and James. Judah died cAug 1839 and is missing in the 1840 Census. He was involved in a lawsuit against one Moses Mault in the Scioto Co. Common Pleas Court for the August 1839 term and his estate was sued in the same court for the June 1841 and 1842 terms. A Mehitable Mead (a possible sister of Judah) sued Judah, claiming he owed her $1000 for work she did for him in Jun 1838. The suit was dismissed. We do not know where or when Hannah died.

1820 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co., OH, pg. 139. 1 m 45+, 4 m 10-16, 2 m 16-26, 2 f -10, 2 f 16-26, 1 f 26-45.

1830 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co., Ohio, pg. 67.

A. Esther Mead - b 5 Jul 1800. m William Kilpatrick on 16 Oct 1821 or 31 Jan 1822 in Scioto Co. They moved to Pike Co., OH, to Hancock Co c1839, to Putnam Co c1846, and to Pauling Co in 1868. William was b 14 Sep 1798, in Steuben Co., NY, the son of Brice and Susannah White Kilpatrick. William d 8 Nov 1884, and Esther d 1 May 1875. They are i in the Lehman Cemetery in Pauling Co. They are supposed to have had 12 children, one of which was Alexander I. Kilpatrick.
1830 Census of Pike Co., OH, pg. 142
1850 Census Putnam Co., OH, pg. 48

B. Sarah Mead - b 14 Jan 1804. m John S. Snyder on 3 Jan 1821. John was b 23 May 1798.

C. Hezekiah Mead - b 19 Aug 1805. m Lydia Dodge (b 30 Nov 1809 - d 7 Feb 1869) on 21 Aug 1828. Hezekiah received land from James Rockwell Sr. in Scioto Co. on 8 Aug 1831. Hezekiah d 14 Jun 1860.
    1. Daniel H. Mead - b m Nancy Titus. Killed 22 Aug 1864 during the Civil War.

D. Ezra Mead - b 24 Dec 1806. m Esther Rickey on 29 Mar 1832. Esther was the daughter of Jacob Rickey, a Baptist minister who came from NY with Judah Mead c1815. Esther b 20 Dec 1810 and d 28 Sep 1876. Ezra d 24 May 1899.

E. James Mead - b c1808. m Lydia S. Rickey, the daughter of Rev Jacob Rickey, on 24 Feb 1837. Lydia was b c1816. They moved to Pike Co., OH prior to 1860.

F. Ebenezer Mead - b c1810. m 27 Aug 1834 to Emily M. Gaston who was b c1817. Moved to Jackson Co., OH prior to 1850.

G. Elizabeth Mead - b 29 Aug 1811. m Isaac Fullerton on 19 Nov 1829. Isaac (b 15 Feb 1809 - d 11 Mar 1886) was a minister. Elizabeth d 29 Aug 1874.

H. Rachel Mead - b c1813. m 8 Jan 1834 to Ephrium Bennett who was b in NY c1813, the son of Joseph and Elizabeth Bennett who came to Ohio with the Rockwell and Mead families.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

II. **EPHRIUM ROCKWELL - b 18 Jan 1785, possibly in Orange Co., NY. Married Anna (probably Handy) about 1813 in Chemung Co., NY Moved to Scioto Co., OH, then to Shelby co., oh, and later to DeKalb Co., IN. Ephrium is the next generation of our Rockwell line.**

III. JAMES ROCKWELL JR. - b c1786 in NY. He evidently took land in Porter Township, while other family members settle in Madison Twp, Scioto Co., OH. He is shown in Porter Twp in the 1820 Census, pg. 123. On 17 Mar 1825, James Rockwell Jr and his wife, Sarah, sold land to his brother, Benjamin (Vol F, pg. 136), James signed his name, Sarah with an "X". James died between Mar 1825 and 1830 because we find Sarah listed alone in the 1830 Census. Sarah could not be located in the 1840 Census, probably living with relatives, but in 1850 she is listed in the family of Jeremiah Roach (pg. 263, Fam 189) Madison Twp as "Sarah Rockwell 58 born NY". In 1860 she is shown in Scioto Co., Jefferson Twp as "Sarah Rockwell 74 born Delaware", living next door to her son, Henry. We do not know when Sarah died, nor her maiden name.

A. Lucy Rockwell - b c1810 in NY. m Harvey N. White on 17 Apr 1833 (Vol A pg. 182). Moved to Indiana in 1837 and in Sep 1838 to Livingston Co. Missouri. Lucy is supposed to have died in Feb 1853 and their children were in Illinois with their grandparents or other relatives. Harvey White m 2nd Nancy Maye on 18 Oct 1854 and he d 18 or 31 Jan 1856. Lucy and Harvey are i Christianson Cemetery in Livingston Co., MO.

1. Seth White - b Ohio. d age 1 year old.
2. Daniel White - b c1837 in IN. d c1856.
3. **** Jasper B. White - b 10 Apr 1840 in MO. CW vet. m 1st Mary J. Bates 1861. div. m 2nd Sarah Routledge 1869. Children Adeline, Alice, John & Anna White.
4. William W. White - b c1841 in MO. d 22 Jun 1864 during the Civil War.
5. Sarah Ann White - b c1844. d age 1 year old.
6. Nova Zembla White - b 26 Jan 1845. Civil War Vet. d 16 Nov 1922. Sons: Art & Will.
7. Harvey J. White - b c1850. d 28 Apr 1872. m Jennie Melton. 9 children.

B. Susannah Rockwell - b c1811 in NY. m Stephen Titus on 28 Dec 1831 (Vol A, pg 161) in Scioto Co., OH. Stephen was b 6 May 1808 and d 9 Sep 1848. Susannah moved to Missouri after 1860 and m 2nd Smith Campbell on 2 Jul 1869.

1. Nancy A Titus - b 13 Apr 1834. m Daniel H. Mead 14 Jul 1857 in Scioto Co. Daniel was the son of Hezekiah Mead. Daniel served in the Civil War and d Hospital in Roma, GA on 22 Aug 1864. He is i Marietta, GA. Nancy m 2nd Smith Campbell on 2 Jul 1869 in Livingston Co., MO. She d 26 May 1919 in Chillicothe, MO. Children: Josephine & Sarah Mead, J.W. & Annie Campbell
2. James Titus - b c1837.
3. William Titus - b c1839. m Eliza Jane Blackwell on 15 Mar 1868 Livingston Co., MO.
4. Mariah Titus - b 31 Oct 1840. d 5 May 1842.
5. Ellen Titus - b c1845. m 7 Jul 1870 to James W. Sweet.
6. Margaret Titus - b 9 May 1848. d 25 Dec 1849.

C. Henry Rockwell - b 21 Mar 1815 in NY. m Sophie Millirons (b c1815), dau of Michael Millirons, on 11 Sep 1836 in Ohio (Vol A, pg 245). They appear in the 1840 Census of Madison Twp., Scioto Co. (pg. 119, line 25) as 1 m -5, and 1 couple 20-30. Henry d 5 Feb 1872, age 56 yrs, 10 mo, 15 da as recorded in the Scioto Co. Death Records, pg. 56. This record gives his place of birth as Marietta, OH.

1. James Rockwell - b c1838 in Ohio. m Elizabeth E. Shope on 5 Sep 1859 (Vol D, pg. 101). James d 1894. Children: Sarah, Caroline, Margaret, Lucy, and Henry H. Rockwell.
2. Michael Rockwell b 1840. m Angeline Dora. d 1904.
3. William Rockwell - b c1843 in Ohio.
4. Lucy Rockwell - b c1845 in Ohio. m Lewis Martin in 1864.
5. Mary Rockwell - b c1850 in Ohio.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

D. Anna Rockwell - b c1818 in Ohio. m Jeremiah Roach (b c1816 in OH - d 1866) on 14 Nov 1837 (Vol A, pg 235). In 1858 Jeremiah was the Administrator of the estate of Harvey White (the husband of Anna's sister, Lucy). Ann d 1860-66 in Livingston Co., MO.
   1. Samuel Roach - b c1839 in OH.
   2. Lucy Roach - b c1841. m 25 Mar 1860 to Leonard B. Holcomb.
   3. Harriett Roach - b c1843 in OH.
   4. William Roach - bc1844 in OH
   5. Ellen Roach - b c1846 in OH. m John Desha on 21 Dec 1865.
   6. Joseph Roach - b c1848 in OH.
   7. Warren Roach - b c1851.
   8. Reader Roach - b c1857.

E. S _______ Rockwell (daughter) - b c1828.
F. ________ Rockwell (son) b

These two children were in the household of H. Rockwell in the 1850 Census of Scioto Co.

IV. JONATHAN ROCKWELL - b c1787 in NY per the 1850 Census. m 1st Rebecca Mead, a school teacher. Rebecca died and Jonathan m 2nd Martha Brown on 6 Dec 1829 by Samuel Longshore (Vol 1, pg 149) in Pike Co., OH. Martha was b c1806 in OH and was living in 1850. Jonathan lived in Pike Co., OH where he is shown with his brother, Benjamin, in the 1830 Census. He sold land to John DeWitt on 2 Apr 1839 (Vol K, pg 544), the Deed being signed by Jonathan and with an "X" by Martha. He also purchased land from his father, James Rockwell, in 1835. He returned to Scioto Co., OH at some point and died there in Madison Twp. on 1 Mar 1857, age 70, of heart trouble. His parents are given on his death record as James and H. Rockwell.

1820 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co., OH pg 139
1830 Census, Sunfish Twp., Pike Co., OH, pg 154.
1850 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co., OH, pg 264, fam 207, house valued at $300, a carpenter.

A. Annie Rockwell - b 21 Oct 1821 in Madison Twp., OH. m Ephrium Wanser Rickey (b 4 Oct 1820) on 19 Jul 1841 (Vol B, pg 23). d 19 Apr 1897 and i in the Martin Cemetery. She is mentioned in the History of Lower Scioto Valley, pg 816.
   1. Rosetta A. Rickey - b c1843. m 1 Jan 1859 Nathan W. Kent.
   2. Charles Lewis Rickey - b 10 Oct 1845.
   3. Telina Rickey - b 17 Jan 1846.
   4. Ezra M. Rickey - b 5 Nov 1849.
   5. James Silas Rickey - b 17 Dec 1852. m 1st Mary Ann Wells on 5 Feb 1875. 3 children. m 2nd Harriet Alice Warren on 17 Sep 1890. 1 daughter.
   6. Jacob Franklin Rickey - b 18 Mar 1854. m Emily Brown on 12 Mar 1874. 4 children.
   7. Nathan Thompson Rickey - b Feb 1859. m Lois H. Brown on 12 Mar 1874. 1 son.
   8. Thomas Jefferson Rickey - b 9 Feb 1861. twin of brother, Henry.
   9. Henry Lincoln Rickey - b 9 Feb 1861.
   10. Rachel Rickey - b 17 Jun 1864. d prior to age 8.

B. Soloman Rockwell - b Nov 1830 in OH. m 1st Cynthia Jane Goodrich (b c1840 Maryland - d c1861 Scioto Co.) on 24 Feb 1856 in Scioto Co. (Vol D pg 26). 1 son, Ezra. m 2nd Margaret Harris on 23 Nov 1862. d 1910-1920 in Jackson Co., OH.
   1. Ezra Rockwell - b 1 Oct 1861. m Margaret L. Beatty. d 1938 Jackson Co., OH.
   2. Cohulda Rockwell - b 1863.
   3. John Rockwell - b 3 Sep 1865.
   4. Cynthia R. Rockwell - b 1867.
   5. Mary Elizabeth Rockwell - b 1 Feb 1870.
   6. Alison Rockwell - b 3 Oct 1872. d 17 Feb 1906.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

C. Rebecca Rockwell - b 31 May 1835 in OH. m John C McDowell on 29 Jan 1859 (Vol D, pg. 80).

D. Hulda Rockwell - b c1836 in OH. m Robert Irwin on 11 Jan 1855 (Vol D, pg 14) Scioto, Co.

**** E. Ezra Rockwell - b c1840 in OH. m c1870 Mary Margaret McLaughlin (b 1 Mar 1854 in WV - d c1934 in Jackson, OH). Ezra d c1879 in Scioto Co. Mary m 2nd Jonathan Rice.

1. Solomon W. Rockwell - b c 1871.
2. Mary E. Rockwell - b 13 May 1873.
3. Jonathan D. Rockwell - b 11 Aug 1877. m 1st 1896 in Meigs Co., OH, Sarah Davis (b 12 Apr 1876 - d 19 Oct 1929 in Glenroy, OH). m 2nd Amanda Elizabeth Hunsucker (b 7 May 1899 - d 1 Jul 1991). Jonathan d 10 Apr 1956.
   Children: Mary (9 Apr 1897 - 6 Dec 1989), Ora (8 Jul 1899 - 1 Apr 1900), Oras (8 Jul 1899 - 27 Jul 1900), and Maude Ellen Rockwell (b 3 Nov 1933, m 21 May 1955 to James Lee Moore, Children: James, Mary, & Melanie Moore).
4. Martha A. Rockwell - b 1879.

F. Margaret Rockwell - b c1843 in OH. m Henry Busher in 1861.

V. JOSEPH ROCKWELL - born 17 Apr 1788 in NY. m Mary (Polly) Bennett on 28 Jan 1819 in Madison Twp., OH (Vol A., pg.42). Mary b 11 Jun 1788 in NY. Her gravestone reads, "Polly, wife of Joseph Rockwell , 5 Jun 1855 ag 66 yr, 11 mo, 24 da". Joseph and Polly sold land to Ezra Mead on 19 Aug 1836 in Scioto Co. Joseph signed the Deed, and Polly made her "X". They also sold land to John Tarbott (Vol N., pg 511), date unknown. Joseph d "25 Dec 1874, age 86 yr, 8 mo, 8 da" in Madison Twp., Scioto Co. According to his death record, he was born in Pennsylvania. Joseph and Polly are i in the Martin Cemetery in Madison Twp.

1820 Census, Madison Twp, Scioto Co. living next door to his brother, Benjamin, and 10 names from his brother, Ephrium.
1830 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co. pg 70.
1840 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co. pg 118.
1850 Census, Madison Twp., Scioto Co. pg 255, family 86, farm valued at $1200.

A. John Rockwell - b c1819 in OH. m 1st Anna Allen (b 4 Jan 1822 - d 5 Jan 1882) on 28 Mar 1841 in OH. John is shown in the 1850 Census of Madison Twp., family 87. John m 2nd Adaline Dunn on 22 Jul 1882. John d 1892.

1. Martin Rockwell - b c1841.
2. Julia Rockwell - b c1843.
3. Leonard Rockwell - b 18 Aug 1845 Madison Twp. m Cloah Shoemaker on 16 Apr 1868. d 26 Jan 1874.
4. David Rockwell - b c1847.
5. Rosetta Rockwell - b 15 Nov 1849. m Solomon Shoemaker on 26 Dec 1867. 8 Children.
6. Polly Rockwell - b c1855. m William Alexander 24 Oct 1874.
7. William Rockwell - b 1859. m Mary Ann Delenge 6 Apr 1850.

B. Benjamin Rockwell - b c1821 in OH. Living with parents in 1850, unmarried.

C. Charles Rockwell - b c1828 in OH. m 1st Elizabeth Norris on 21 Feb 1847 by Issac Fullerton in Pike Co., OH (Vol 2., pg. 8). Elizabeth was b c1829 in PA and d 15 Mar 1869 in Scioto Co. Charles m 2nd Anne Lansing 7 Dec 1877. Charles d 6 Jul 1894. 1850 Census, Family 88 as a farmer with property valued at $800.

1. Joseph Rockwell - b 22 Nov 1847. m Mary Field in 1869. Was a Trustee of Madison Twp. and lived on the farm of James D. Thomas in 1870. See the "History of Lower Scioto Valley", pg 339 for a complete biography. Joseph d 24 Nov 1908. Children: 4 boys and 2 girls.
2. John Rockwell - b c1849. d 14 Jan 1865.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

3. George W. Rockwell - b c1852. m Lutesia "Lou Ann" Yeager on 22 Aug 1875. Homesteaded one mile south of Waldron, OK and lived there the rest of his life. Children: John Henry (b Feb 1885 Stafford, KS, 5 children), Joseph, May, Lizzie, Charles, and James Rockwell who m Edna Bernard and had 4 children.
4. Gersham Rockwell - b c1853. d 1 Mar 1857, age 4 years.
5. Margaret Rockwell - b c1855. m John W. Blakeman on 30 Aug 1877.
6. Emily Rockwell - b c1856. m Peter W. Quickel on 7 Dec 1877.
7. Corbin F. Rockwell - b c1859.
8. Lewis C. Rockwell - b c1862.
9. Esther Rockwell - b c1865.
10. Polly G. Rockwell - b c1867.
11. Julia Rockwell - b c1869.

D. Julia Rockwell - b 12 Dec 1819. d 12 May 1821, age 1 yr, 5 mo. i in the Martin Cemetery.

VI. EZRA ROCKWELL - born 11 Nov 1801 in , NY. Marrried Elizabeth "Betsey" Southworth on 20 Jan 1822 (Vol 1., pg. 60 Pike Co Records) by Ruben Slavens. They were the first couple to be married in Union Township, Pike Co., OH according to Howe's "History of Lower Scioto Valley". Ezra is mentioned as one of the early settlers in the above book on page 390. He received land from his father-in-law on 27 Nov 1830 and transferred title to the same property to Thomas Henry on 21 Oct 1849. Ezra also purchased land from George and Harriet Stiles for $130 on 28 Dec 1826 (Vol F., pg 167 Scioto Co. Deeds). Ezra was woodworker, making wagons and coffins. Ezra died 15 Jun 1871 and was buried in the Owl Creek Cemetery in Union Twp., Pike Co., OH. Ezra's Will, filed 29 Jun 1871 (Vol 2, pg 82), mentions his wife, daughter Elizabeth, and son Ezra Jr. See Ezra's obituary on the next page.

Elizabeth Southworth was born in Virginia on 1 Jul 1800, the daughter of Leonard and Jemimah Southworth. Leonard Southworth's Will, dated 25 Mar 1843 and proven in Waverly, Pike Co., on 7 Sep 1846, mentions his daughter, "Betsey Rockwell", and leaves to his grandson, Leonard Rockwell, his 30 acre farm adjoining that of Ezra Rockwell. Elizabeth died 23 Aug 1883 and is also buried in the Owl Creek Cemetery. Her gravestone is broken and well worn and what looks like "69 yr, 1 mo, and 23 days" as her age at death, is actually 83 years. If the age "69" was correct, she would have been married at the ripe old age of 7!

1850 Census, Union Twp, Pike Co., OH, family 243.
1860 Census, Union Twp, Pike Co., OH, family 638 a wagon maker.
1870 Census, Union Twp, Pike Co., OH, family 46

**** A. Leonard Rockwell - b 7 Nov 1822. m Matilda Pyle (Pile) (b21 Feb 1823 - d 26 Oct 1884), the daughter of Absalom and Sabina Pyle, on 28 Nov 1847. Leonard was a wagon and coffin maker like his father. Leonard d 27 Feb 1892 and is i in the Owl Creek Cemetery. 1850 Census Union Twp., Pike Co., OH, family 242.

**** 1. William Harrison Rockwell - b 7 Jan 1849. m 18 Sep 1869 to Katherine Andrews (b 15 Apr 1853 - d 28 Apr 1909). d 9 Feb 1936. Children: Louella, Milton, , Myrtle, Matilda, Rosie, and Harry Rockwell.

2. Sabina E. Rockwell - b 22 Jan 1851. m 17 Oct 1867 to Alexander Galford (b 31 Aug 1844 - d 18 Aug 1893). d 7 Apr 1923. Children: Matilda, Martha, James, Susan, Roxy, Jessie, Frank, and Edna Galford.
3. James N. Rockwell - b 7 Feb 1853. m Ella McNiel (b 6 Jun 1860 - d 16 Mar 1937). d 14 Jan 1892. Children: Lola, Melissa (Lizzie), William A., and Mary (May) Rockwell.
4. Mary Jane Rockwell - b 27 Dec 1855. m 19 Feb 1897 to William Frank Seeling (b 22 Sep 1859 - d 22 Feb 1940). d 5 Jun 1924. Children: Stanton, Hazel, and Henry B. Seeling who d age 3 months.

THE OBITUARY
OF
EZRA ROCKWELL
FROM THE
"COUNTY REPUBLICAN"

Waverly, Ohio
June, 1871

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OBITUARY.

Died, in Union township, Pike county, June 15, 1871, Ezra Rockwell, Sr., aged about 70 years.

Mr. Rockwell was born in the State of New York, November 11, 1801. His father, James Rockwell, came to Ohio with his family, consisting of twelve or fourteen children, and settled on Dogwood Ridge, near Wheelersburg, in Scioto county, about 1810, and afterwards removed to Madison township, where he died about 1823 or 1834. His family was mostly grown when he came to Ohio. The subject of this notice had a common school education. He was an industrious, hard-working boy and man. He married Elizabeth Southworth, December 20, 1821, and purchased a farm in Madison township about 1827. In 1830, Mr. Rockwell bought the farm on Owl Creek, on which he ever afterward lived, and to which he added from time to time, till it now contains 265 acres. He moved on to it in March 1830, and brought with him five children—Leonard, Hannah, James, Alvah and Jemima, and left one, Jemima, an infant, buried in the grave-yard in Madison. They had born to them, after their final settlement, George, Benjamin, Martha, Nancy, Ezra, Elizabeth, Isaac and Susan. The first and second Jemima, George, Nancy, Isaac and Susan are dead. Consequently, eight children survive their father. He leaves his wife after living with her 49½ years.

Mr. Rockwell, about 1840, commenced the wagon making business, and did both the wood and iron work. He never aspired to nor held public office, but ever endeavored to conduct himself as a good and conscientious citizen.

About 1839, Mr. Rockwell joined the Free-Will Baptist church, under Elder Branch, and continued a faithful follower of Christ to the day of his death.

Mr. Rockwell was always a very healthy man, and never had occasion to call a physician to administer to him till about three months previous to his death, when he began to fail, and continued to decline till he breathed his last.

A good man has gone to his final account, as we trust to receive the welcome; "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; * * Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

His funeral was attended on Saturday, the 17th, by Elder Shunkwiler, who has been the minister in charge of the church on Owl Creek as much as 30 years. He was assisted by Elder Isaac Fullerton.

☞ See S. O. Swift's advertisement.

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THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

5. John Henry Rockwell - b 24 Jan 1858. m 1st on 24 Dec 1881 to Elizabeth Shonkwiler (b 7 Oct 1863 - d 15 Apr 1900). m 2nd on 10 Dec 1901 to Mary Baldwin (b 27 Nov 1864). John d 7 Mar 1930. Children: George, Leonard, William, Grace, Martha, Frank, Albert, Cleo, and Tillie M Rockwell who d 15 Aug 1900 age 8 mo, 24 days and i Owl Creek Cemetery.
6. Absalom Rockwell - b 26 Oct 1860. d 4 Sep 1864.
7. Elizabeth R. Rockwell - b 15 Feb 1865. m 31 Aug 1887 to Jacob Keller Schoonover (b 6 Apr 1860 - d 25 Dec 1932). d 16 Feb 1894. Children: Harlan, James, and Myrtle Schoonover.

**** B. Hannah Rockwell - born 24 Apr 1824, Pike Co., OH. m 11 Aug 1842 (Vol 1, pg 381) to John Henry Brooks, a son of John Brooks (b 1782 - d 1869) and Lovina Hawkins (b 1784 - d 1867). John was b 12 Jun 1818 in Bristol Flat, VT. The family moved to Scioto Co., OH in 1840 and then to Wayne Co., Iowa in 1856 where they built and lived in a log cabin home 15' square. John was a school teacher and d 21 Jan 1901. Hannah d 11 Aug 1905 in Seymour, Iowa where they are both buried in the South Lawn Cemetery.

1. Betsy Brooks - b 5 May 1843 Pike Co. m 27 Dec 1860 to Joseph Kerr. d 31 Oct 1904. Children: William, Nora, Mary, and Ida Kerr b c1874.
2. Lovina Brooks - b 4 Aug 1844 Pike Co. m 21 Feb 1864 to Henry Tharp. d 29 Oct 1905 Summerville, OR. Lovina and Henry are i Summerville Cemetery with their two sons. Children: 2 sons, one who d young, and the other d unmarried.
3. Samuel Leonard Brooks - b 19 Mar 1846 Pike Co. m 10 Dec 1868 to Mary Jane Wade, dau of George I. Wade and Mary Ann Eakin. Mary b 29 Oct 1845 in WV and d 19 Feb 1927 Imbler, OR. Samuel d 9 Mar 1931 in LaGrande, OR. i Summerville Cemetery. They had 7 children.
4. Nancy Brooks - b 3 Dec 1847 Pike Co. m 25 Jun 1868 to Wesley Duskin. d Oct 1918 probably in Bellville, KS.
5. Ezra R. Brooks - b 12 Jan 1861 Seymour, IA. m 20 Aug 1890 to Kate Thomas. Ezra was a doctor and d 21 Jun 1942.
6. John Levi Brooks - b 12 Jun 1863 Seymour, IA. m 25 Sep 1884 Martha Ella Givens. Ella d 26 Jun 1952 Centerville, IA. John d 17 Feb 1951 Seymour, IA. 8 children.

C. James Rockwell - b c1825. m Louisa Bennett on 4 Jan 1846 (Vol B, pg 84). Louisa was b c1831 in Ohio.

1. Leonard Rockwell - b c1846.
2. Nancy B. Rockwell - b 16 Dec 1848. d 20 May 1849.
3. Harriett M. Rockwell - b c Apr 1850.
4. James Rockwell - b 1852.
5. John Rockwell - b 1868.

D. Alvah L. Rockwell - b 11 Jan 1827. m Emeline Kellog (b 28 Feb 1830 - d 25 Jan 1908) on 4 Apr 1850. Alvah d 24 Apr 1913 and both are i in the Tharp Cemetery, Wayne Co. IA.

1. Rebecca M. Rockwell - b 29 Mar 1851. m 28 Aug 1870 to William C. Babbitt (b 1 Apr 1845 - d 11 Mar 1900). Rebecca d 1 Sep 1940.
2. Elizabeth Rockwell - b 1853.
3. Harriet M. Rockwell - b 1855. m 21 Nov 1875 to Charles F. Shriver.
4. Hannah E. Rockwell - b 1857.
5. Ezra M. Rockwell - b 1858. m 22 Jan 1885 to Abigail Trunnell (b 14 Dec 1866 - d 3 Mar 1893). Ezra d 1939 and i Tharp Cemetery, Wayne Co, IA. Children: Ocie E. b 1886, Leona M b 1890 & m Pierce Hickman, and Lester T. Rockwell (25 Sep 1892 - 13 Mar 1893).
6. Margaret A. Rockwell - b 1861. m 23 Nov 1884 to Charles Bone.
7. Abigail C. Rockwell - b 1864.
8. Nancy A. Rockwell - b 1866.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

    9. William Erastus Rockwell - b 1867. d 1960 and i with his parents.
    10. Thomas E. Rockwell - b Nov 1870. m in 1902 to Rearl ______.

E. Jemimah Rockwell - b 29 Dec 1828. d 30 Dec 1828.

F. Jemimah Rockwell - b 4 Nov 1830. d 4 Aug 1831.

G. George W. Rockwell - b 1 Mar 1831. Living with his parents in the 1850 and 1860 Census. Enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War on 22 Sep 1861. Wounded at Champion Hills, MS on 15 May 1863 and died of his wounds at Millikins Bend on 29 Jul 1863. i Vicksburg, MS. Will filed 13 Nov 1863 appointing Ezra Rockwell, Sr. as his Executor.

H. Benjamin J. Rockwell - b 12 Sep 1832 in OH. m 5 Jan 1854 to Susan Galford (b 6 Jul 1837 - d 7 Aug 1882) by Isaac Fullerton (Vol 2 , pg. 161). Susan is a probable daughter of Jan Galford who was b in VA c1808. Benjamin was a Civil War vet of Co G, 56th Ohio Infantry. He d 15 Jan 1890 in Wayne Co., IA. Listed in the 1850 and 1860 US Census of Pike Co., OH.

    1. John W. Rockwell - b 11 Mar 1855. d 27 Aug 1871.
    2. Elizabeth Rockwell - b 16 Mar 1857. m 11 Nov 1878 to Henry Osborn. d 12 Sep 1934 in Seymour, IA. 3 children.
    3. Roxie Jane Rockwell - b 18 Dec 1859. m 24 Jun 1877 to Renne Julian Allred (b 27 Jan 1855 - d 2 Jan 1956) in Seymour, IA. Roxie d 19 Dec 1927. 8 children.
    4. Sarah E. Rockwell - b c1861. m Ellsworth Daugherty. d 6 Oct 1949 Des Moines, IA. 6 children.
    5. Erza E. Rockwell - b 4 Mar 1863 in OH. m 1886 to Sarah (Sadie) Imgram (b 8 Dec 1866 - d 18 Dec 1959). d 12 Nov 1936 in Seymour, IA.
    6. Hannah Rockwell - b 16 Mar 1865. m 3 Aug 1899 to Stephen Nelson Stiles (b 22 Jul 1864 - d Apr 1927). Hannah d 5 Mar 1931. 2 children.
    7. George W. Rockwell - b 21 Feb 1867. m Leona Lee Sager (b 1871 - d 1956). George d 17 Feb 1902 in Seymour, IA.. Leona m 2nd in 1908 to Charles R. Evans (1868 - 1941). 2 children.
    8. Cora Rockwell - b 10 May 1869 Wayne Co., IA. d 6 Apr 1871.
    9. James Harley Rockwell - b 26 Jun 1870. m 1896 to Belle Boyd (b 27 Jun 1876 - d 16 Sep 1940). James d 18 Jun 1957 in Lock Island, IL. 10 children.
    10. Susan Isabelle Rockwell - b 28 Jul 1874. m Bob Guthrie (b 6 May 1872 - d Jul 1946). Susan d 10 Jul 1963 Silvis, IL. 8 children.
    11. Nancy Ann Rockwell - b 1 Mar 1876. m 1898 Al Spears. d 12 Apr 1966.
    12. Jessie May Rockwell - b 8 Jun 1879. m in 1898 to David Monroe Clemmens (b 23 Nov 1875 - d 13 Dec 1934). Jessie d 17 Jun 1959. 5 children.

I. Martha Rockwell - b 21 Oct 1833. Evidently did not marry and lived with her parents until their death. d 2 Mar 1894.

J. Nancy Rockwell - b 9 Nov 1835. m William Galford on 6 Nov 1854 by William Martin (Vol 2, pg.181). d 22 Nov 1865.

K. Ezra Rockwell - b 8 Jun 1837. m Eveline Sailor (Vol 2, pg.41) on 9 Jun 1860. Living in Pike Co., OH and shown in the 1860, 1870 & 1880 US Census. Eveline b 7 Feb 1839 and d 22 May 1899.

    1. Roxy A. Rockwell - b c1863. m Enoch Shonkwiler on 27 Jan 1881.
    2. William Rockwell - b c1865.
    3. Nancy Rockwell - b c1874. m Leon Sturgeon on 24 Oct 1893.
    4. John Rockwell - b c1876.
    5 - 11 1 son and 6 girls, names unknown.

L. Elizabeth "Betsy" Rockwell - b 30 Oct 1838. d 4 Jun 1894.

M. Isaac Rockwell - b 1 Feb 1841. d 4 Feb 1842.

N. Susan Rockwell - b 28 Aug 1842. d 4 Apr 1844.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES ROCKWELL & HANNAH continued.

VII. BENJAMIN ROCKWELL - b 1794-1804. m Katharine Bennett (b 15 Oct 1803 - d 27 Mar 1868), daughter of Robert Bernnett, on 5 Aug 1819 (Vol A, pg 47). Received property from James Rockwell Jr and his wife Sarah, on 17 Mar 1825 in Scioto Co., OH (Vol F, pg. 136). Listed in the 1820 Census in Madison Twp. as a young couple with no children living next door to his brother, Joseph. On 16 Mar 1825, Benjamin, and his wife Katharine, sold land to Adam Ott (Vol F. pg 350). Benjamin signed this deed and Katharine made her "X". Benjamin and Katharine moved to Pike Co., OH sometime after 1825. Benjamin died in Pike Co. c1836. Katharine m 2nd, David Sikes on 8 Feb 1837.

VIII. MARY "POLLY" ROCKWELL - b 1794-1796. m John Sykes on 16 Apr 1818 (Vol A. pg. 38) in Madison Twp., Scioto Co., OH. They are shown there in the 1830 Census (pg 68), with children: 1 male -5, 2 male 5-10, 1 female 5-10, and 1 females 10-15. They moved to Missouri in 1831.

IX. ANNA ROCKWELL - b Mar 1800. Shown in the 1830 Census living with her father. d Feb 1837. i Martin Cemetery. Her gravestone reads that she died age 36 yr, 11 mo, "Anna dau of James & Hannah Rockwell".

X. RACHEL ROCKWELL - b c1804. m Brewer Burt on 26 Dec 1822. Brewer was b c1797 per the 1850 Census and he was a stone mason. The 1830 Census of Madison Twp., page 67, shows the Burts living near Ephrium Rockwell. At that time they had a son and 2 daughters under 5, and one daughter 5-10. In 1835 they are listed on the Harrison Twp., Scioto Co. Tax Lists. In the same year, they moved to Clinton Twp., Shelby Co., OH. Then in 1838 they moved again to Lockington in Washington Twp., Shelby Co. In the 1840 Census of Washington Twp. Shelby Co., OH, their family is shown as 1 m 40-50, 2 males & 1 female 5-10, 2 females 10-15. Rachel is missing and presumed to have died prior to 1840. Brewer m 2nd Margaret Bobo, a widow, on 18 May 1851 (Vol 3., pg 260) in Shellby Co. Brewer d between 1860 and 1867. Though, from the 1830 and 1840 Census, we know that Rachel and Brewer had a number of children, the only one we can prove by name is James.

A. James R. Burt - b 3 Nov 1832 in Scioto Co., OH. m 1st Sarah Margaret Snively, a dau of John and Eliza Snively, on 17 Mar 1861. Sarah was b c1845 and d 1864. They had no children. James m 2nd on 24 Jan 1865 to Nancy Ann Livingstone Stone. She was a widow with 2 daughters, Dema and Rosa Stone. Nancy was b 18 May 1839 and d 23 Feb 1902.

1. John F. Burt - b Oct 1865. m Anna Belle Adams on 12 Apr 1888.
2. Mary A Burt - b c1867. m Mr. Gabriel. d 1890.
3. Anna M. Burt - b 30 Sep 1869. m Otis Dowden in 1892.
4. Lillie A. Burt - b 12 Jun 1872. m Alonzo McDaniel.
5. Florence Burt - b 12 Dec 1875.
6. Edwin C. Burt - b Apr 1878. m Alice M. Gustin on 24 Dec 1896.

XI LUCY ROCKWELL - b 1794-1796. Buried in the Martin Cemetery, no dates shown, "Here lies the body of Lucy Rockwell". We have no proof that Lucy was a daughter of James and Hannah other than the Census records idicate that there were possibly **3 other daughters** who we have not been able to identify. Lucy could be one of these 3 unknowns.

Mrs Carolyn Van Duzer, 567 Gardner Rd, Horseheads, NY 14845, gave freely of her time and historical expertise in furnishing data about the Rockwells in Chemung Co. Carolyn worked with the author, off and on, for 26 years and furnished most of the property and church data about James and Hannah Rockwell in Chemung Co., New York. We all owe Carolyn our heart-felt THANKS for her efforts!

**** III. B. 3. Jasper B. White. A great grandson, is Dr. John B. Arthaud.

**** IV. E. Ezra Rockwell. A grand-daughter is Mrs Ellen Rockwell Moore, 890 Marilyn Dr., Kent, OH 44240.

**** VI. A. Leonard Rockwell. Mr James S. Rockwell, PO Box 42114, Middletown, OH 45042-0114, contributed a considerable amount of data on this branch of the Rockwell family 1994-1998.

**** VI. A. 1. William Harrison Rockwell. Mrs Thelma Collier, 1804 S. Belmont St., Springfield, OH 45505, descends from William Rockwell's son, Milton Rockwell.

**** VI. B. Hannah Rockwell. Mrs Elizabeth H. Royes, PO Box 152, Imbler, OR 97841, and her brother, Capt F. H. (Bob) Huron, 24 Pilgrim Drive, Winchester, MA 01890, descend from Hannah, and furnished considerable support and information on their branch of the Rockwell family over many years.

NOTES

From the book, "The Early Court Records of Scioto Co., Ohio", pg 112, we find a marriage affidavit, dated 31 Jul 1858, which states: "Andrew Fisher (20) & Mary Rockwell (15). Consent of his mother, Lucretia Fisher and consent of her father, Lewis Rockwell, sworn by Jonathan Rockwell".
From the book, "Scioto County Marriages", we find: "Isaac Rockwell m Margaret Smith 13 Sep 1838, Vol A, pg 264." and "Lewis Rockwell m Charlotte Squires 24 Jan 1836, Vol A, pg 212 & 228".
I have not been able to place these Rockwells in our Rockwell family line.

OUR NINTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

EPHRIUM ROCKWELL & ANNA

Ephrium Rockwell, probably the oldest son of James and Hannah Rockwell, was born 18 January, 1785, probably in Warwick Twp., Orange County, New York.

Ephrium moved as a young child with his parents to Chemung Co., NY about 1788. Later, as a young man, Ephrium purchased land next to his father, west of Horseheads, NY on 21 Jul 1812 - (See the map on page 67). This deed was recorded on 9 Sep 1812 in Vol 3, page 538, and states that James Pumpelly and Mary, his wife, of Owego, Broome Co., NY sell to Ephrium Rockwell of Tioga Co. (now Chemung), for $260.50, 75 acres in the southeast corner of Twp 1 of the 12 Townships. Witnesses to this deed were Benjamin Sparra and William Low. Note that there is no mention of Ephrium's wife in this deed - it could be an over-sight, or indication that he was not yet married.

Ephrium then sold this same plot of land, almost 2 years later, on 9 Jun 1814 and it was recorded on 5 Sep, 1814 in Vol. 4, pg. 127 - "Ephrium Rockwell and Anna his wife ---" sold to Alfred Fry for $531.00 the 75 acres purchased previously from Pumpelly. The deed was witnessed by Samuel Kinyon and John S. Miller. Ephrium signed the deed and Anna made her "X".

Here we see specifically that Ephrium is married and his wife's name is Anna. We can assume they were married in Chemung Co., NY sometime between July 1812 and June 1814. We have found no record of their marriage or positive proof of Anna's maiden name or her parents. Incidently, note that Ephrium and Anna made a nice profit on the sale of this land!

Ephrium was a witness to a deed on 1 May 1813, between his brother, William Rockwell and Joseph McConnell (Vol. 3, page 574).

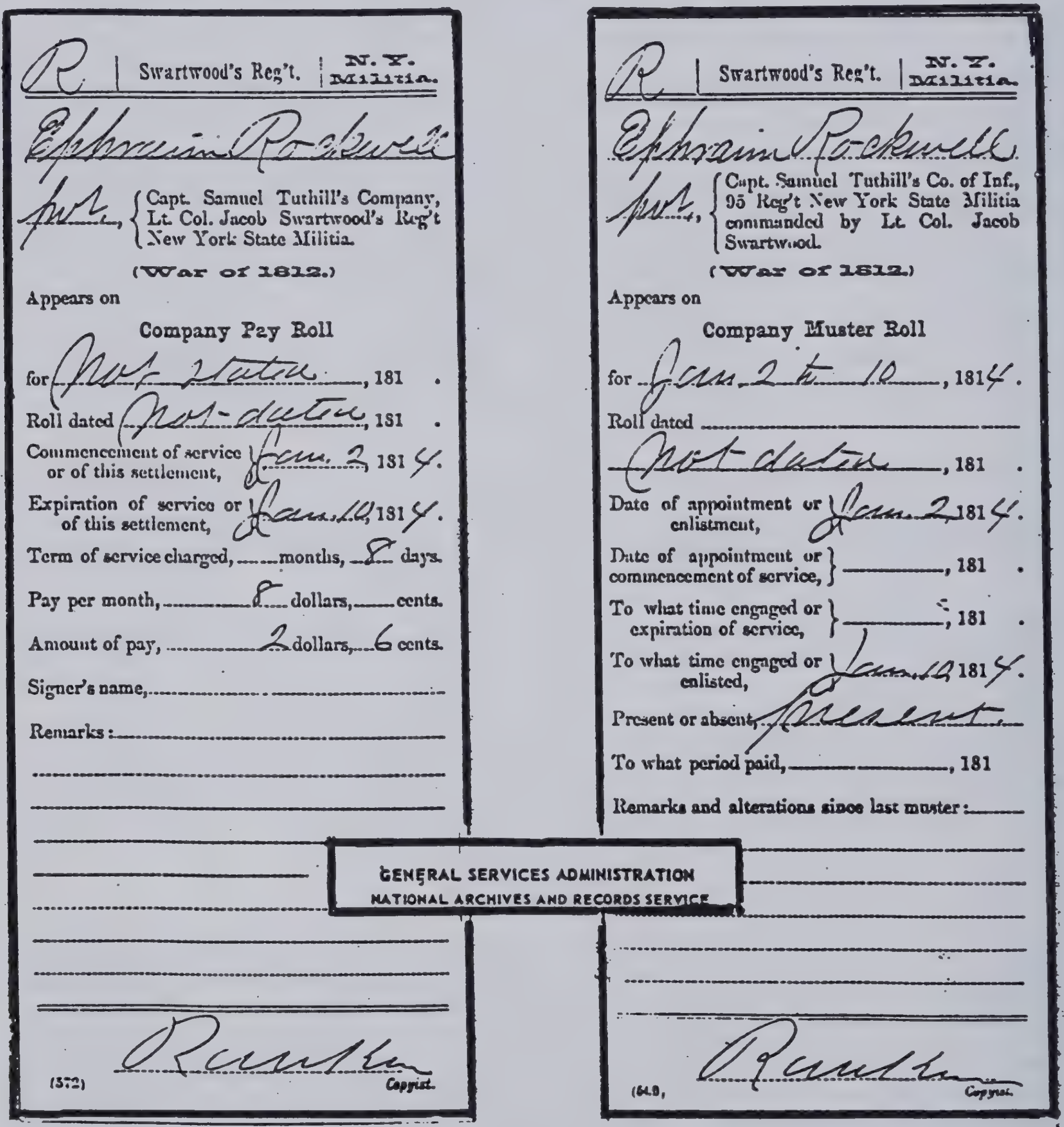
These are the only property records we have been able to locate that mention Ephrium in Chemung Co. He is not mentioned in the surviving Wellsburg Baptist Church records with his parents. - possibly he was still too young. As previously mentioned, the Wellsburg Church records did not record births, deaths, or marriages, so Ephrium and Anna's marriage would not be recorded there.

THE WAR OF 1812

Under the pressure of the young "War Hawks" in Congress, the United States declared war on Great Britain on 18 June, 1812. The reasons given were the impressment of almost 10,000 American seamen from 1802 till 1812 who were abducted and forced to serve in the Royal Navy. Britain also almost shut down US trade across the Atlantic, and supported the Indians into acts of open warfare against the United States frontier settlements. The major causes of the War meant little to the farmers in central New York State, but its impact changed their daily lives. The American plan to invade Canada was abandoned with the defeat of the ill-prepared American Army at Detroit, and at the Queenstown Heights near Ft Niagara. The British also controlled the Great Lakes which gave them an invasion route into New York. The warfare continued through 1812 and in 1813 American forces passed through central New York moving to defend the Niagara Frontier. In December, 1813 the British crossed the Niagara River from Ontario, captured Fort Niagara and destroyed the New York Niagara Frontier settlements from Lewistown down to and including, Buffalo. The War was now moving "closer to home".

The New York Militia was mobilized to block this invasion and was mustered into Federal Service. Ephrium answered the call as a Private in Captain Samuel Tuthill's Company of Infantry in the 95th Regiment of New York Militia commanded by Lt. Col Jacob Swartwood. Ephrium was sworn into service on the 2nd of January, 1814 and left home with the Regiment, heading for the Niagara Frontier to repel the invading British. Luckily, the British did not follow-up on their initial attack and retired back into Canada.

Ephrium's unit had marched northwest as far as Batavia, NY, about 100 miles, when word reached them that the British had retreated. The Regiment was ordered to return to their homes and was released from Federal Service. For his 8 days of marching, Ephrium was paid $2.06 (a prorated share of a Private's pay of $8 per month). His service is recorded in the National Archives in Washington as shown below. The War ended in December, 1814, and peace returned to the frontier.



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Ephraim Rockwell

Pvt., Capt. Samuel Tuthill's Company, Lt. Col. Jacob Swartwood's Reg't New York State Militia.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

for Not stated, 181 .

Roll dated Not-dated, 181 .

Commencement of service or of this settlement, Jan. 2, 1814.

Expiration of service or of this settlement, Jan. 10, 1814.

Term of service charged, ... months, 8 days.

Pay per month, 8 dollars, ... cents.

Amount of pay, 2 dollars, 6 cents.

Signer's name, ...

Remarks: ....

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Ephraim Rockwell

Pvt., Capt. Samuel Tuthill's Co. of Inf., 95 Reg't New York State Militia commanded by Lt. Col. Jacob Swartwood.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Jan 2 to 10, 1814.

Roll dated

Not dated, 181 .

Date of appointment or enlistment, Jan. 2, 1814.

Date of appointment or commencement of service, ..., 181 .

To what time engaged or expiration of service, ..., 181 .

To what time engaged or enlisted, Jan. 10, 1814.

Present or absent, Present.

To what period paid, ..., 181

Remarks and alterations since last muster: ....

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

THE OPENING OF OHIO FOR SETTLEMENT

The area of land which was to become the Rockwell's new home in Ohio was originally owned by Virginia and was ceded to the United States in 1787 as part of the "Northwest Territory". A series of Indian uprisings seriously restricted settlement of these lands until the Indians were defeated in the Battle of Fallen Timbers in 1794. As a result of this defeat, the Indians gave up their claim to this area. The area of Scioto and Pike Counties, where the Rockwell's settled, was "Congress Land" and was released for settlement in 1799 - 1802. On the 1st of March,1803, Ohio became the 17th state. Though provided with a State Government, in many localities the protection granted was a trifle more than a "paper promise". After 1815, with the end of the War of 1812, the new settler had the physical security of a certified deed to his property granted by the Federal Government and the peace of mind that the threat of Indian attack had virtually ended.

THE MOVE TO MADISON TOWNSHIP, SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO

Ephrium and Anna, along with his parents , brothers and sisters and many other relatives, answered the call for new lands on the frontier and left New York for Ohio in late 1815 or early 1816. They were part of the 2nd wave of settlers into the Scioto County area. The first wave of settlers occupied the southern area, directly along the Ohio River because they found the land very fertile. However they faced the problem of frequent flooding and illness caused by fevers. The second wave of settlers, including the Rockwells, chose the higher lands a few miles north of the Ohio River. The lands they occupied were wooded with a profusion of large trees, mostly sycamores, cottonwood, poplar, oak, blackwalnut, and maple. Wild game abounded and were hunted for food and to protect their livestock. Bears, wolves and deer were common. There were even a few schools established in the area, mostly "subscription schools", which had to be paid for by the parents.

In the "History of Lower Scioto Valley", "Ephrium Rowell" (the "ck" was omitted), is mentioned along with his father, James Rockwell and his brothers, as being early settlers. The 1820 Census lists them in Madison Twp., with a boy and a girl under 10 years of age in their houshold (pg 140).

Ephrium purchased his land originally from the United States Government Land office at Chillicothe, the State Capitol at that time, on the 5th of August, 1816. This land was located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 4, Range 20. Refer to the map on page 71. Note that Ephrium's father, James Rockwell, purchased land about a mile north of Ephrium and Anna.

Ephrium sold a piece of this land to Theophilas R. Wood and his wife, Cloe, on 16 Sep 1823 (Vol E, pg. 468). Theophilas sold the land back to Ephrium on 26 Mar, 1827 (Vol F, pg. 169). This may have been a repossesion for default of payment on the mortgage held by Ephrium.

As shown in the following deed, Ephrium and Anna sold their original tract of land to James Batterson on 25 October, 1832 for $800.00 (Vol H, pg. 290). This land was sold prior to Ephrium and Anna's next move to Shelby, Co., OH.

"Ephrium Rockwell & wife :
&
James Batterson

This Indenture made the twenty fifth day of October AD 1832 between Ephrium Rockwell & Anna his wife of the County of Scioto and state of Ohio, and James Batterson of the County of Scioto aforesaid. Witneseth that the said Ephrium Rockwell and Anna his wife, for and in consideration of eight hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Batterson, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have bargained and sold by them present do bargain and sell unto the said James Batterson his heirs and assigns for ever all the rights, title, interest and claim either in law or equity of the said Ephrium and Anna his wife, of and to the NorthWest quarter of Section thirty three of Township four and in Range twenty of the Courts sold at Chillicothe and patented to the said Ephrium Rockwell by the United States on the 5th day of August A. D. 1816. To have and to hold the above described premises with the privileges & appearances therewith belonging or in anywise appreciating unto the said James Batterson his heir & assigns forever, And the said Ephrium Rockwell & Anna his wife do for themselves & their legal representatives, covenant to & with the said James Batterson & his legal representatives, they will the above described premises and every part and parcel thereof unto the said James Batterson his heirs & assigns forever, against the claims and advances. In witness whereof the Said Ephrium Rockwell and Anna his wife, have herewith set their hand & seals. Ephrium Rockwell Anna Rockwell

Witness present A. Batterson - Sally Batterson

State of Ohio, Scioto County, Personally have before me Joseph Bennit a Justice of the peace for Said County, Ephrium Rockwell & Anna his wife, both well known to me as the identical person named in the written Deed as grantors and acknowledged that they signed and sealed this action."

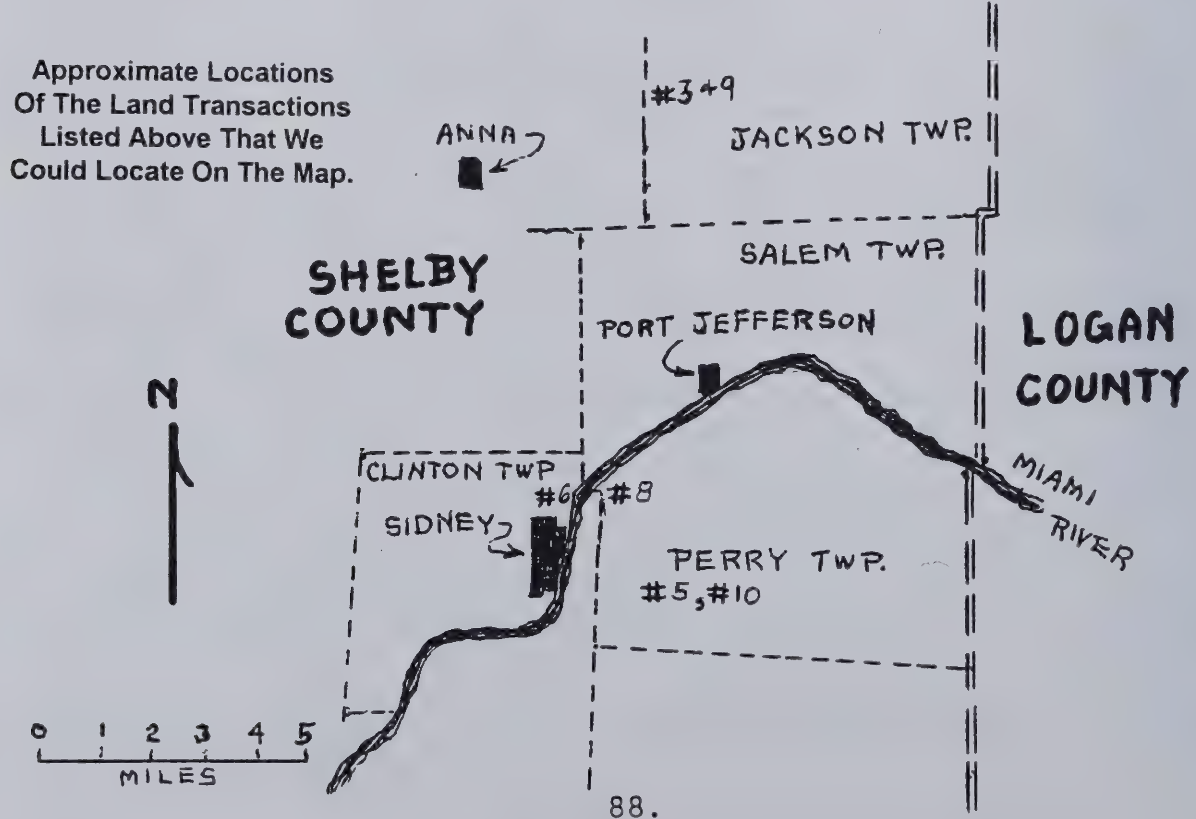
Ephrium & Anna sell their farm on 25 October, 1832 and prepare to move to Shelby Co., Ohio

THE MOVE TO SHELBY COUNTY, OHIO

Ephrium is listed in the 1830 Census with 5 boys and 2 girls in their growing family, still in Scioto County, and we assume that Ephrium and Anna's growing family prompted them to pack up and move again to new lands about 125 miles to the northwest into Shelby County, Ohio. This area was gently rolling farm land noted for its crops of grain, and had been settled for almost 20 years. This is one of the first moves by our Rockwell's that was NOT into raw frontier lands! The move was made c1831.

The Rockwells settled in Perry Township, located on the eastern boundary of Shelby County, just east of Sidney, Ohio. The first land transaction we have been able to locate is dated 30 Nov 1832, where Ephrium acquired land, and thereafter, he is mentioned in many land transactions in the records of Shelby County. Very evidently, Ephrium was a fair businessman and saw the value in real estate! Judging from the amount of property he traded, he was financially above the average settler in this area. The following are the property transactions we have been able to locate for Ephrium and Anna: —

1. Ephrium Rockwell, 30 Nov 1832, Sec 27, Twp 2, Rng 7E, E 1/2,145.68 acres.
2. Ephrium Rockwell, 30 Nov 1832, Sec 35, Twp 2 Rng 7E, SE 1/4, 160 acres. (Bk 69, pg 465)
3. Ephraim Rockwell, 10 Jun 1834, Sec 20, Twp 7S, Rng 7E, W 1/2 NE 1/4 & N 1/2 NW 1/4, 160 acres (Bk 62, pg 100) (NOTE: plots 1-3 were evidently purchased from the US and/or Ohio Govt.)
4. Ephrium Rockwell to David LaFaver. Book C, 542W, plot 35-27, SE 1/4, 26 May 1834.
5. William Clark et al to Ephrium Rockwell. Book L, 237W, Lot 35, T2 R13 in Perry Twp in the west 1/2 of the SW 1/4. 29 Sep 1834.
6. Ephrium Rockwell to William S. Johnston. Book D 240W, lot 5, T1 R13, and irregular plot in Clinton Twp., on the NE edge of Sidney. 13 Dec 1834.
7. Henry Ucries to Ephrium Rockwell. Book F 97W, in the west 1/2 of the NW 1/2 being 79.16 acres. 29 Oct 1836.
8. John Marrs to Ephrium Rockwell. Book F 98W. Lot 35 T2 R13, 14.9 acres in Perry Twp., NW corner abutting Lot 5 in #3 above. 18 May 1837.
9. Ephrium Rockwell to W. S. Johnston. Book F 168W, Lot 20 T7 R7 in Jackson Twp. about in the middle of the west edge of the Township. 10 Jun 1837.
10. Ephrium Rockwell to John W. Carey. Book O 60W, Lot 35, T2 R13. This is Lot #5 above. Sold 22 Feb 1842.
11. Ephrium Rockwell to John Key. Book M 621W, 79.16 acres. This is Lot #7 above, sold 8 Feb 1842.
12. Ephrium Rockwell to M. Harman. Book L 441W. 85 acres. 3 Dec 1844.


Approximate Locations Of The Land Transactions Listed Above That We Could Locate On The Map.

Here we see that Ephrium purchased 6 plots and sold 3 lots between the years 1832 and 1837. During the next 5 years there was no real estate activity. Then in 1842 and 1844 he sold his remaining property. There were evidently other land transactions which I did not find; the lots purchased do not match the location/acres of the lots sold.

In the "History of Shelby County, Ohio", published in 1883, Ephrium is mentioned on page 195. He was elected trustee for Perry Township in the years 1836-1839, and 1841 - 1843. Either he didn't run, or was not elected in the year 1840. This gives us an indication that his place of residence was in Perry Township, and that he was a man trusted and respected by his neighbors.

We also checked cemetery and death records for Shelby County as were old newspaper extracts. The only other references to any "Rockwells" who were not Ephrium's direct relatives were several Negro families living in Van Buren Township. Ephrium is listed in the 1840 Census as living in Perry Township, Shelby County, on page 306, line 7, just 22 names from his son, Joel Rockwell. Ephrium's family is recorded as follows:

1 male -10	(Stephen M.)	1 male -60	(Ephrium)
3 males 11-15	(William H., Daniel, Jonathan H.)	1 female - 20	(Nancy?)
1 male 16-20	(John B.)	1 female -60	(Anna)

We find no other records of Ephrium or his family in Shelby County after 1844. It appears that the whole family, father and sons, left Shelby County early in 1845.

THE FINAL MOVE TO UNION TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

The next record we find for Ephrium and Anna is in Union Township, DeKalb County, Indiana. DeKalb County is in the northeastern corner of Indiana on the border with Ohio. As "the crow flies", this would be a move of about 90 miles.

In late November, 1844, Ephrium journeyed up to DeKalb County to investigate the possibilities of obtaining a new home. He met and talked with Simeon H. Gillespie and his wife, Lydia, who owned the Southwest corner of Section 1 in Union Township, about 2 miles east of the town of Waterloo. On the 19th of December, 1844, Ephrium offered $1,000.00 for 180 acres of land, which the Gillespies accepted. The 180 acres consisted of 100 acres in the southwest 1/4 of Section 1, and 80 acres in the northern 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 12. Joseph Nodine and George W. Trout witnessed the deed and it was recorded on 8 March 1845 in Book C, pg. 541 of DeKalb County Deeds. This deed specifically states " - - Ephrium Rockwell of the County of Shelby, and State of Ohio - - -"; so we know that the Rockwells were still in Ohio disposing of their property and preparing for the move to Indiana. The family move to Indiana was probably made in the spring of 1845.

On the 30th of January, 1846, Ephrium purchased another 60 acre plot from the Gillespies which adjoined the northern section of his original 180 acres. This was evidently farm land without buildings and was purchased for $300. This transaction was recorded in Book D, pg. 183 of DeKalb County Deeds on 17 March, 1846.

In the "History of North East Indiana", by Ford, published in 1920, on page 577 in the history of Union Township, the Rockwells are mentioned as follows: "Early settlers in the Township --- the Husselmans and McEntarffers on the north --- In the northeast, Rockwell, Lightner and Morringston were the first settlers. Two days were occupied in raising the heavy frame of the Husselman barn, and most of the able-bodied settlers for miles around were engaged in the work."

Union Township was formed on 5 September 1837 and in 1889 was split into Grant and Union Townships. The area where the Rockwells lived was in the section that was split off and re-named Grant Township today.

Ephrium died and was buried in a small rural cemetery 2 miles east of Waterloo at the intersection of County Roads 43 and 28. The cemetery is located behind an old school house and is part of the property that Ephrium and Anna purchased in 1844. His badly worn gravestone was read on two seperate occasions by friends of the family in late 1968. In their opinions, the gravestone appears to read as follows:

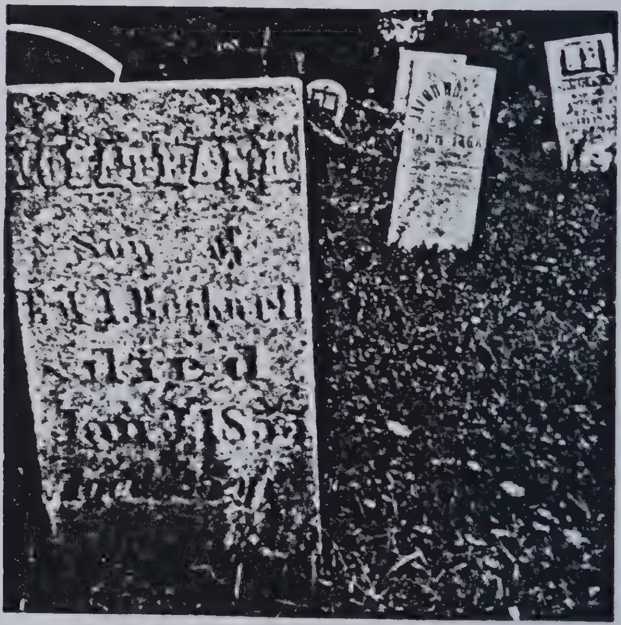
EPHRIUM ROCKWELL
died
Mar 11 1844
61 yr 1 mo 13 da

OR

EPHRIUM ROCKWELL
died
1 Mar 1841
AE 64 yr 4 mo 9 d

Inasmuch as Ephrium purchased property and was in Shelby Co, Ohio in December, 1844, and purchased additional property in January, 1846, his date of death on his tombstone is too badly worn to be read correctly, or is in error (which is unlikely). I believe he died 11 March 1846. Buried with Ephrium in this cemetery, is his son, Jonathan H. Rockwell, in a marked grave. We believe Anna, Ephrium's wife, is also buried here next to Ephrium, but her grave is not marked.

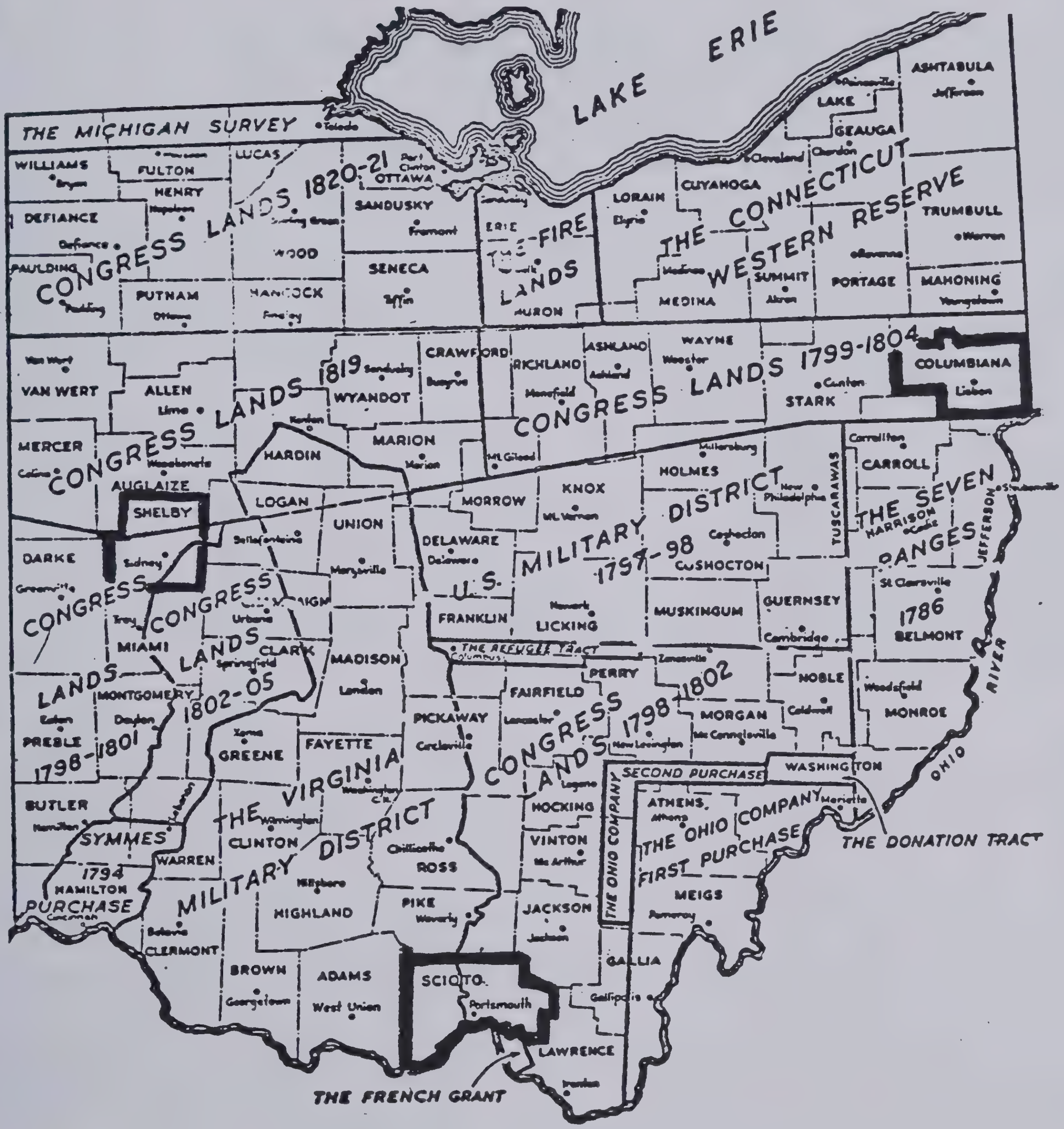
Laureen Bostedt, a family friend tried to make a tracing of Ephrium's gravestone in Sep 1968, but was not successful - too badly worn.



The gravestone of Jonathan Rockwell, Ephrium and Anna's son, next to his father's grave.

PRINCIPLE LAND SUBDIVISIONS FOR THE STATE OF OHIO AS IT WAS OPENED FOR SETTLEMENT

(IMPOSED UPON THE PRESENT MAP OF OHIO)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CONGRESS LANDS 1799-1804
CONGRESS LANDS 1802-05
CONGRESS LANDS 1798-1801
U.S. MILITARY DISTRICT 1797-98
THE SEVEN RANGES 1786
CONGRESS LANDS 1798-1802
THE REFUGEE TRACT
THE VIRGINIA MILITARY DISTRICT
SYMMES 1794 HAMILTON PURCHASE
SECOND PURCHASE
THE OHIO COMPANY
THE OHIO COMPANY FIRST PURCHASE
THE DONATION TRACT
THE FRENCH GRANT
OHIO RIVER
WILLIAMS
FULTON
LUCAS
OTTAWA
HENRY
DEFIANCE
SANDUSKY
WOOD
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JEFFERSON
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SOME EARLY OHIO SETTLERS

COLUMBIANA COUNTY - became the home of Jacob and Magellan **METZ** who moved there from Maryland c1805. Peter and Barbara **BARNHART** moved there from Maryland c1815. Jacob and Mary **SLENTZ** moved there from Pennsylvania c1825.

SCOTIO COUNTY - became the home of James and Hannah **ROCKWELL**, and their son, Ephrium and Anna **ROCKWELL**, who all moved there c1815 from Chemung County, New York.

SHELBY COUNTY - became the home of Ephrium and Anna **ROCKWELL** and their son, Joel and Margaret **ROCKWELL**, about May, 1834, who moved there from Scioto County. The family of Jacob **TROUT** lived here about 1820.

ANNA (?HANDY?) ROCKWELL

Anna was born about 1794, probably in Chemung Co., NY, possibly the daughter of Thomas Handy. She married Ephrium Rockwell sometime between July 1812 and June 1814, but no record has been found for their marriage. Anna's life was certainly not one of luxury in that they kept moving to the new frontiers as they opened up - from Chemung Co., NY to Scioto Co., Ohio in 1815/16 shortly after their marriage, then to Shelby Co., Ohio in 1832/33, and finally to DeKalb Co., Indiana in 1844/45. We do not know if Anna ever had the opportunity to attend school and ever learned how to read or write. Legal documents that she was a party to were always signed by her with an "X".

Anna can be tentatively identified in the 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, and 1860 Census records. Ephrium died in 1846, and in the 1850 Census of DeKalb Co., Anna is shown with her three sons, Daniel, Handy, and Stephen, as family #53. Living next door to them is her son, Joel as family #54, and next door to him is John Rockwell, another son, family #55, and family #57 is William Rockwell - all of her sons living in close proximity to their widowed mother. In this Census, Anna's age is given as 56, and her place of birth as "Delaware".

Anna and her son, Handy, evidently gave up farming or needed money, and on the 23rd of December, 1851, sold their farm to James Hays. The first transaction was signed by both Handy and Anna, Handy by written signature, and Anna by her "X" mark. This transaction was for 33 1/3 acres which had been assigned by the Probate Court to Handy, evidently as part of his inheritance from his father, Ephrium. Handy and Anna received $200 for this plot. A second transaction was between Anna alone and James Hays and was for another 33 1/3 acres which had been assigned to Stephen Rockwell, Anna's youngest son, as a minor heir. This lot was evidently just farm land without buildings and sold for $50.00. These deeds were recorded on the 24th of March, 1852 in Book F, pages 429 and 430. Here we see that Anna, as Guardian of her two minor sons, Handy and Stephen, sold the lands given to them by their father upon settlement of his estate; 66 2/3 acres for $250.

In the 1860 Census we are pretty sure we found Anna, still living, this time next door to her son, William, and near her other son, John. Because of very poor penmanship, her name looks like "Tannel" and her age as "82". Her place of birth is very clearly "Delaware". If this is really our Anna, her age should be 66. Living with her is a 12 year old girl, Hannah, probably Anna's grand-daughter, daughter of her son, John.

In a search of the 1870 Census, we could find no Anna Rockwell in either Dakota Co., Nebraska, where many of her children moved to, or in DeKalb Co., IN. From this we assume that Anna died sometime between 1860 and 1870. No record of her death could be found in any of the vital statistics files. A check of the cemetery where Ephrium is buried in July 1970, disclosed an unmarked slab of slate buried in the grass next to Ephrium's grave. This might be Anna's memorial.

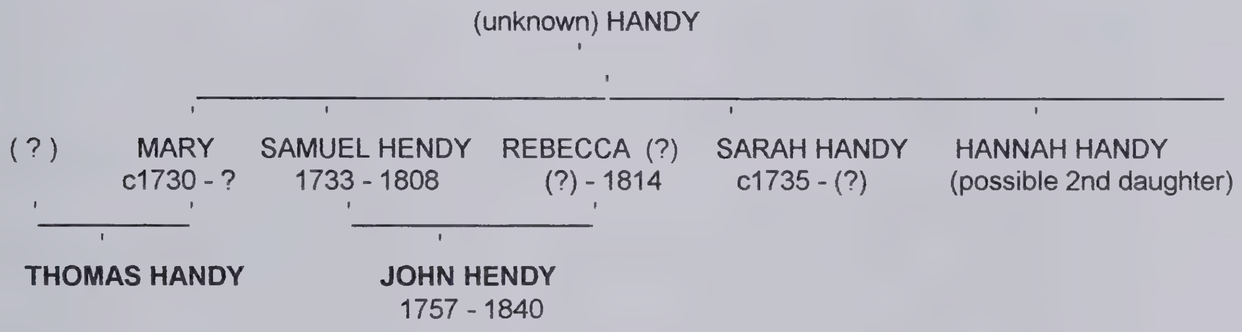
The fact that Anna, in both the 1850 and 1860 Census, gave her place of birth as "Delaware", could be interpreted as an indication that Anna was NOT a member of the Handy/Hendy family. It is however very possible that Anna picked up a family story that she was born in Delaware, NOT the State of Delaware, but the Geographic Location of "Delaware". Note in the data which follows on the Handy/Hendy family, that Samuel Hendy and probably his sister, Mary Handy, were born in Hunterdon Co., NJ and later lived in Northampton Co., PA. Both of these Counties border on the Delaware River. The Northampton Co. area also is commonly called the "Delaware Water Gap". It is possible that Anna, being illiterate, picked up "Delaware" as her place of birth, not the State, but the River, or geographic area.

THE FAMILY OF ANNA ROCKWELL

WAS HER MAIDEN NAME "HANDY"?

I have always been impressed by the fact that Ephrium and Anna named one of their sons "Jonathan HANDY Rockwell", and, their other son, Joel and his wife, Margaret, named one of their sons "John HANDY Rockwell". Joel and Margaret's other son, John and his wife Malinda, in turn named one of their sons, "Daniel HANDY Rockwell". It was not an uncommon practice to name a son with the maiden name of his mother or grandmother. Where did the name "HANDY" come from? It is not a common name and does not appear in the Rockwell line. Is it possible that Anna's maiden name was Handy?

If so, then Ephrium Rockwell would have been in the geographical vicinity of a "HANDY" family when he married sometime between 1812 and 1814 in Chemung County, NY. A search of Chemung County records disclosed that there were in fact **2 Handy** families living near the Rockwells - Thomas Handy and John Hendy (Handy) who were cousins! Research into these two families developed the following information. The names are spelled, Hendy or Handy, the way most records indicate that individual spelled their last name.



MARY HANDY was born about 1730, probably in Pennytown, NJ. She was living in Lower Smithfield Twp., Northampton Co. (now Monroe Co.), Pennsylvania in 1758 when she had two of her children, Thomas and Elizabeth, baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church. The baptismal records do not name the father of Thomas and Elizabeth, and list the two children as "Illegitimate". We can assume that Mary was unmarried, or in a marriage relationship not sanctioned by the church. We have no other data on Mary or her daughter, Elizabeth.

THOMAS HANDY - the son of Mary and (?) was baptized in 1758 along with his sister, Elizabeth. Thomas appears on the militia lists of Lower Smithfield Twp., Northampton Co., PA on 14 May 1778 and 5 Jun 1780 during the American Revolution. About 1788 Thomas moved to Chemung Co., NY about the same time as his cousin, John Hendy. Thomas purchased Lot #115 consisting of 309 acres, awarded on 23 Mar 1791, and Lot #120 of 182 acres on 28 Oct 1788. Note: James Rockwell was granted Lot #112 during the same time frame.

He is shown in the 1790 Census in "Chemung Town", pg 75, 82 names away from "James Backwell" (James Rockwell), and 2 names from his cousin, John Hendy. Thomas' family consisted of 1 male 16+, 1 male -16, and 3 females (his wife and 2 daughters).
In the 1800 Census, Thomas is living next door to his uncle, Samuel. Thomas' family had grown to 3 m -10, 1 m 10-16, 1 m 45+, and 4 f -10, 2 f 10-16, and 1 f 45+.
By the 1810 Census, Thomas' family was shown as 1 m -10, 3 m 10-16, 1 m 16 - 26, 1 m 45+, and 3 f -10, 3 f 16-26, and 1 f 26-45. Note: Thomas had daughters of the right age to fit our Anna.

In the spring of 1814, Thomas and his family moved to Clark County, IL, where he became one of the first settlers near York on the Wabash River. Thomas and his wife, name unknown, are supposed to have had 15 children!

Thomas is shown in the 1820 Census in Clark Co., Union Twp along with John, Samuel, and Stephen, probably his sons. In the 1830 Census we find Thomas, Elijah, John, Joseph, Samuel, Sarah and Stephen D. Handy listed in Clark Co.. In 1840 we find Thomas, Elijah, Francis, Fricilea, Joseph, Samuel, and Stephen listed. By 1850 we find the families have expanded and we find Austin, Chester, Elizabeth, Emelia, John, Joseph, Mary, Miles, Samuel, Sarah, Stephen D., Theodore, Thomas, and Warfield Handy all living in York Precinct. These are, in all probability, widowed daughters-in-law, sons, and grandsons of Thomas. We have no additional data on Thomas or his wife.

SAMUEL HENDY was born 6 Apr 1733, probably in Hunterdon Co., NJ. In 1757 he appears in a court action in Hunterdon Co. He married Rebecca, maiden name unknown, about 1756. By Sep 1763, Samuel has moved to Northampton Co. PA. In 1777 he took an Oath of Allegiance to the American Cause, and in 1778 and 1789 he is shown as a member of the Lower Smithfield Twp., Northampton Co. Militia along with his son, John (below), and Thomas Handy (above), . He is shown in legal transactions and Tax Lists in Lower Smithfield Twp. in 1772, 1785, 1786, 1788 and 1789, and in the 1790 Census with he and his wife being the only members of the household. About 1794 he moved to Chemung Co., NY to be with his only son, John Hendy (below). In the 1800 Census, he is shown in Chemung Co. as one male 45+, one female 45+, and one female 10-16. Samuel died 20 Sep 1808 and is buried in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Elmira. Rebecca died 20 Apr 1814 and is buried with Samuel.

JOHN HENDY was born 3 Sep 1757 in Pennytown, Hunterdon Co., NJ. John is the only son of Samuel and Rebecca Hendy (above). In the "History of Chemung Co., New York", page 42, we have a profile of John: --

"John Hendy, or as he became afterwards better known in the valley, Col John Hendy, occupies a prominent position in the annals of Chemung County, as he was one of the first settlers in the locality now comprised by the city of Elmira. He first located farther down the river," - (where he was granted Lot #114 - Note that James Rockwell had Lot #112, and Thomas Handy, his cousin, had Lots # 115 & 120), - " coming to Newton Point in 1788. He was born in Wyoming" (County, NY, an error, he was born in NJ) "September 3, 1757, and served in the Revolutionary army, having been at Bunker Hill, Princeton, Trenton, Monmouth, and a number of other important engagements. His wife was a daughter of Henry Baker of Wilkesbarre. He was a distinguished looking man, of fine form, though somewhat spare, more than six and a half feet in height, and noticeable from the fact of always wearing his hair long and flowing. Remains of the primitive structure that was his home for more than half a century are still to be seen on land owned by George W. Hoffman. Colonel Hendy, up to the time of his death in 1840, was one of the conspicuous characters in the village life of Elmira, and was prominent on all public occasions. " - - - - "There are few of Colonel Hendy's family of his name living now in the region where he settled, and there is no other remembrance of him in the valley than his monument in the cemetery, erected by the citizens of Elmira, save a locality over the hill from Elmira called "Hendy Hollow", largely peopled by his wife's family, the Bakers."

John Hendy died on 15 Mar, 1840. His wife, Mary "Polly" Baker was b c1759, and died in Elmira, 20 Jan 1828. The Will of John Hendy (Pk #2485, Vol 1, pg 208) and Letters of Testamentary (Vol 1, pg 64, Chemung Co. Court House in Elmira) were admitted to probate on 20 Jul 1840 and lists his heirs by name as follows (additional personal data added):

A. Rebecca Hendy - b 6 Jun 1778 in PA. m John Culp c1795. d 21 Feb 1854 in Elmira, NY
B. Samuel Hendy - b c1782 in PA. m Phoebe Faily. Moved to Clark Co., IL c1820, and to Sullivan Co., IN c1830. d prior to 1840.
C. Sarah "Sallie" Hendy - b 16 Aug 1787 in PA. m Joseph Morrison c1810. To Clark Co., IL, and later to Wayne Co., MI in 1825. d Iona, MI 1869.
D. Thomas Hendy - b 5 Oct 1789 in Elmira. m Elizabeth Bartlett c18ll. Moved to Clark Co., IL. d 2 May 1860.
E. Jane Hendy - b 1791 in Elmira. m William Bartlett. Moved to Clark Co., IL d after 1860.
F. John Hendy Jr. - b 11 Apr 1793 in Elmira. m Susanna Bartlett or Sayre. d Jackson Co., MI 25 Aug 1876. i Woodlawn Cemetery in Elmira.

G. Hannah Hendy - b 5 Jan 1796 in Elmira. m Cushing Snow. Moved to Clark Co., IL and then to Parke Co., IN. d Park Co., IN 15 Aug 1866.
H. Mary "Polly" Hendy - b 11 May 1799 in Elmira. m Joseph Beidleman on 30 Nov 1825. Lived in Elmira and d there 7 May 1858.
I. Elizabeth "Betsey" Hendy - b c1802. m John Roades c1820. Moved to White Lake Twp., Oakland Co., MI in 1833. d after 1840.

NOTE: There is **NO** mention of a daughter named Anna in John's Will. It is remotely possible that she was a daughter of John and received her inheritance at some earlier date, or there had been a "falling out" between John and Anna and she is excluded in his Will. Anna's probable date of birth, c1794, could just bearly fit into John's family. She would have to be born between "F. John Hendy Jr. 11 Apr 1793", and "G. Hannah Hendy 5 Jan 1796" - possible but not too probable.

SARAH HANDY was born about 1735 in a place called "Amwell". She married Samuel Drake about 1752, and they supposedly had 15 children. Their daughters, "Eleonora" on 30 Aug 1752 and "Sara" on 5 May 175(?5), were baptized in the Reformed Dutch Church where they lived in Lower Smithfield Twp., Northampton Co., PA. About 1790, two of their children moved to Chemung Co., NY; Elijah Drake and Ruth Drake.

Despite the fact that John Hendy's Will, which seems complete, does NOT list a daughter named Anna, several family genealogists have placed Anna as a daughter of John Hendy. DAR applications #331102 and #401426 also adds Anna to the list of John Hendy's children. I have not been able to find any PROOF for their conclusion.

I am inclined to place Anna as a "HANDY", and as the daughter of Thomas Handy. Thomas and his family were in "the right place at the right time", being in Chemung Co. in 1812-1814 when Ephrium married Anna. They lived near the Rockwells and, according to Census records had girls in his family of the right age to "fit" our Anna.

NOTES

THE CHILDREN OF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL & ANNA

I. HANNAH ROCKWELL - b 27 Dec 1814 in New York. Hannah is placed as the eldest daughter of Ephrium and Anna based upon her "Rockwell" name and the fact that she married George W. Trout on 17 Nov 1836 in Shelby Co., OH. They moved to DeKalb Co. IN sometime after 1840 and George established the first store in what was to become the village of Waterloo. Hannah d 26 Jan 1862 and is buried in the rural cemetery near her father, Ephrium Rockwell. It is not known if they had any children. See the additional information on George W. Trout in the next Rockwell Generation chapter on page 107.

II. JOEL ROCKWELL - born about 1817 in Scioto Co., Ohio. Married Margaret Julia Ann Trout on 19 Nov, 1835 in Shelby Co., Ohio. Died between July and October, 1850 in DeKalb Co., Indiana. Joel is the 10th generation of our Rockwell family line.

III. NANCY ROCKWELL - born c1820 in Scioto Co., OH. The only reference found about Nancy is a marriage record of the double wedding of Nancy Rockwell to Douglas Moore and John B. Rockwell to Jemima Moore on 17 Nov, 1840 in Shelby Co., OH. We know that John B. Rockwell was a known son of Ephrium and Anna Rockwell, and assume this is a double wedding of a Rockwell brother and sister to a Moore sister and brother. In the 1840 Census of Perry Township, Shelby Co., we find a William Moore living near the Rockwells. In this family were 10 children ranging in age from under 5 to just under 20, and an old man over 90 years of age. I am sure this is the Moore family that Douglas and Jemima belong to. We have no other data on Nancy or her family.

IV. JOHN B. ROCKWELL - born c1821 in Scioto Co., OH. John was married on 17 Nov 1840 in Shelby Co. to Jemima Moore by Samuel McCullough, JP (Vol 1 & 2, pg 279). This is most likely a double marriage with John's sister, Nancy, above. Samuel McCullough was a Trustee of Clinton Township and Treasurer of the Town of Sidney, OH. Jemima was born c1822 in Ohio, and could not read or write. John and Jemima moved to DeKalb Co., IN, and in the "History of DeKalb Co." John is listed as an early Trustee of Union Township prior to 1860.

From Warner's "History of Dakota County, Nebraska", published in 1893, we read the following: "John B. Rockwell was born in 1824 and came from Indiana to Dakota County in 1871. Died in his home in the southern part of the County 18 Sep 1884, leaving a wife and 6 children to morn. There are 3 sons, Richard, Stephen, and Jefferson; three daughters, Mrs John Welker, Mrs Albert Peterson, and Mrs William Walters."

1850 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN, pg 494, Fam 55, "a farmer"
1860 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN, fam 215, "a shoemaker"
1870 Census, Omadi Precinct, DaKalb Co., NE, fam 255, "Farmer"

A. Mary Jane Rockwell - b c1845 in OH. In Warner's "History of Dakota Co." we read:- "John Welker, born 12 Apr 1840 in Butler Co., Penna., came to Dakota Co., Oct 26, 1872 and settled on Fiddler's Creek where he lives at present" (1893). "He was married 7 Apr, 1864 to Mary Jane Rockwell. Has one child, Mrs Eugene H. Loomis."
    1. _______________ Rockwell (daughter) - b . m Eugene H. Loomis.

B. Hannah Rockwell - b between 1846 and 1848 in IN. We have no additional information on Hannah.

C. Richard Rockwell - b c1848 in IN. Quoting again from Warner's, "Richard D. Rockwell came to Dakota Co., August 1869. Married 1873, Susan Myers. Has 2 sons and 2 daughters. One child died. Post Office Hubbard." In the 1880 Census, we find Richard back in DeKalb, Co., in Garrett Reyer Twp, pg 30, listed as a carpenter with wife, Susan, born c1856 in IN, and a son, John.
    1. John Rockwell - b c1875 in IN.

THE CHILDREN OF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL AND ANNA continued.

D. Steven Mills Rockwell - b 12 May 1851 in DeKalb Co. m Zylpha Elizabeth "Liz" Snyder McMann (b 30 Jul 1862 - d 19 Jul 1955) about 1885. "Liz" had been married previously at age 14 - 15 to Patsy McMann who was a friend of Elizabeth's father and was many years her senior. Elizabeth and Patsy had a daughter, Maggie, and Patsy died of cancer a few years after their marriage. Liz returned to her parents home near Homer, NE where she met Steven Rockwell at a square dance. Steven owned a livery stable, boarded and rented horses and carriages and made local deliveries in Homer. He also called square dances and played the "fiddle". Liz then married Steven Rockwell about 1885, but they were divorced about 1890. Their 2 children lived with Steven and their Snyder grandparents around Homer, NE. Elizabeth m 3rd to Thomas Frank Casey about 1895. Steven is remembered as a dark haired, very friendly fellow, always with a broad smile and a joke. He did not re-marry and died 13 Nov 1930 near Valentine, NE. See the photos on page 100a of Steven, "Liz", and their offspring.

1. Myrtle Victoria Rockwell - b 24 Aug 1886 in Homer. When Myrtle was about 9, she went with her mother and step-father, T. Frank Casey, to Boone, IA. Myrtle met Clement "Clem" Raymond Smith (b 27 Mar 1886 - d 11 Apr 1967) at a skating party and they married on 6 Feb 1907. They farmed in the Ocheydon, Esterville, and Boone, IA areas. During the Depression, Clem left farming and worked as a builder and roofer. Myrtle d 26 Jan 1983 Boone Co., IA.

a. Pearl Elizabeth Smith - b 2 Mar 1909 Boone Co., IA. m Clifford Raymond Cryder 31 (b 26 Oct 1909 - heart attack 26 Oct 1949) on 29 Jan 1931. Pearl and Clifford met in High School where she was a cheerleader and he the captain of the basketball team. Pearl worked for a local retail store and Clifford worked for Stromberg chick hatchery in Ft. Dodge, IA. Pearl m 2nd Walter Edward Brown (b 24 Jul 1902 - d 2 Jan 1981) on 2 Mar 1958. Lived in Inglewood, CA

(1) Larry Raymond Cryder - b 26 Jul 1939. Served in Korean Conflict. m, no children. Larry and his brother, Keith, own Broadway Engines Co. in Los Angles, CA.

(2) Keith Allen Cryder - b 4 Nov 1942. Served in VietNam. m, 3 daughters: Sherri, Vivian, and Cindy Cryder.

b. Raymond Francis Smith - b 10 May 1915. m Mildred Frances Rosengreen (b 26 Mar 1919) on 4 Aug 1937. Raymond was a carpenter and worked for the Boone Co School System. He d 23 May 1992 in Boone, IA.

(1) Gerald Lee Smith -b 22 Mar 1938. m 27 Jul 1963 Sara Beth ___.Gerald is a teacher at Cal Poly College, San Luis Obispo, CA. Children: Jarrett Andrew b 30 Jul 1968, and Leigh Allison Smith b 20 Jun 1971.

(2) Janet Lou Smith - b 29 Jan 1942. m Richard Maynard (b4 Oct 1939) on 27 Dec 1964. Children: Krista Marie b10 Jul 1969, Erin Rhea b 4 Feb 1971, and ReBecca Dawn Maynard b 2 May 1975.

**** c. Helen Marie Smith - b 1 Mar 1918 Boone Co, IA. Moved to Van Nuys, CA, and there met and m Marion Calvin Jones (b 17 Sep 1917 North Zulch, TX) on 15 Jun 1941. Marion worked in food services for troop trains during WW II and they later had restaurants in several southern CA cities. Helen worked 25 years in sales for a bakery chain. They lived in San Gabriel, CA in 1980 and retired to Topock, AZ in 1998 where they enjoy craft hobbies.

(1) Mark Calvin Jones - b 19 Jul 1947. Served in US Navy 4 yrs. m 1st Iris Sue Gruberg (b 18 Jun 1945) on 18 Dec 1971. Div 1983. m 2nd Christine Berry Allen (b 4 Sep 1948) on 20 Jul 1987. Children: Jennifer Marisa Jones b 27 Dec 1975, m 20 Jun 1998 to Glenn Atkins.

THE CHILDREN OF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL & ANNA continued.

(2) Marilyn Marie Jones - b 18 Apr 1950. Earned an RN degree in 1972 in CA and m Gary M.Chan, MD (b 8 Mar 1947) on 25 May 1975. They both serve in the medical field in Salt Lake City, UT. 4 Childrren: Benjamin Russell b 23 Nov 1976, Julie Marie b 15 Jun 1980 - d 27 Aug 1980, Melissa Marie b 25 May 1982, and Timothy Gary Chan b 5 Aug 1984 .

2. Willard Mills Rockwell - b 22 Oct 1888 in Brown Co., NE. m 1st Gertrude Nickels, deceased. m 2nd Vivian R _____. Willard was a barber and later, a pharmacist in CA for many years. Retired to Highland Beach, FL, and later to Maui, Hawii where he d 24 Feb 1989 - over 100 years old! See his photo on page 100a.

a. Stanley Harvey Rockwell - b m 1st Helen _____. divorced. m 2nd Lois ______. They live in CA. 4 children.

b. Lillian Gladys Rockwell - b . m Dr Roger Burkhart. They live in CA. 3 children.

E. Martin Rockwell - b c1852 in Indiana. Missing from the 1870 Census.

F. Jefferson Rockwell - b c1854 in Indiana. Went to Dakota Co., NE where he served as an elected sherriff. m Annie _____.

1. Howard Rockwell - b . d in the service in WW I in San Francisco.
2. Scott Rockwell - b
3. Gwen Rockwell - b
4. Ruth Rockwell - b . m Ernest Gurtz.

G. Rosa Rockwell - b c1861 in Indiana.

H. Margaret Alice Rockwell - b c1864 in IN. m William Walters in Sioux City. Moved to DesMoines, IA where they both died.

1. Richard Walters - b . Lived in FL. 1 daughter.
2. Beatrice Walters - b and d in DesMoines, IA. She was married.
3. Ruby Walters - b and d in DesMoines, IA. She was married.

V. WILLIAM H. ROCKWELL - born c1825 in Scioto Co., OH. m Lovina Nevins on 27 Dec 1847 in DeKalb Co., IN (pg 15, DeKalb Co. Marriages). Lovina may be a sister of Sarah Nevins Jennings. Lovina was b c1830 in NY and d between 1860 and 1870. From the Civil War pension application of their son, Henry, we find that William lived in Waterloo, DeKalb Co, IN from 1870 till 1884. From 1884 till 1889, they lived in Bartlett, Ceders Precinct,Wheeler Co., NE. Two witnesses to the pension application were George W. VanHorn and Henry L. Waters: - one of whom may be a son-in-law of William. William was living in 1889.

1850 Census, Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. pg 494 next door to his brother, John B. Rockwell
1860 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN family #221
1880 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN, pg 2, "works on farm", born in Ohio, parents born in New York.

A. Henry M. Rockwell - b 7 Nov 1848 in Union Twp, DeKalb Co. Enlisted 15 Aug 1864 as a Private in Co H, 88th Indiana Infantry for 1 year. Discharged 30 May 1865. Henry was evidently disabled from his service and died in 1870. He is buried near his grandfather, Ephrium Rockwell in the rural cemetery. His gravestone reads: "H. M. Rockwell Co H. 88th Ind. Inf.".

B. Mary Ellen Rockwell - b Aug 1850 in Union Twp, DeKalb Co. m John Crokett. The 1880 Census, pg 1, shows John b c1848 in Ohio.

1. Maggie A. Crokett - b
2. Maud E. Crokett - b Sep 1879.

C. Shelby Rockwell - b 15 Jun 1858 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co. He was probably named after Shelby Co. OH where his parents once lived. Shown as a "brother-in-law" living with his married sister, Mary Ellen Crokett in the 1880 Census.

D. Emma M. Rockwell - b May 1859 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., OH.

THE CHILDREN OF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL & ANNA continued.

VI. CATHARINE ROCKWELL - According to Census data, child number VI. of Ephrium and Anna should be a daughter. The only clue we have to her identity is in the 1880 census of Springfield Twp., DeKalb Co., where Eliza C. Rockwell, the daughter of Stephen M. Rockwell, IX., which follows, is shown living with Catharine and John Porter. It may be that Eliza is living with her possible aunt, Catharine. This Catharine was b c1826 in OH, which would "fit" in the family by age. Catharine states her parents were born in PA according to the Census. John Porter was b c1822 in OH. Catharine and John had 1 son, Frank Porter, b c1860 in IN.

VII. DANIEL ROCKWELL - born c 1827 in Scioto Co., OH. He is shown living with his widowed mother in the 1850 Census. A Daniel Rockwell married Rachel Hartman on 28 Aug 1856 in DeKalb Co. Marriages, pg 50. We assume this is our Daniel. We have found no additional data on Daniel and Rachel.

VIII. JONATHAN HANDY ROCKWELL - b 20 May 1829 in Scioto Co., OH. Shown living with his widowed mother in the 1850 Census. Handy died 3 Jan 1855 and is buried next to his father, Ephrium in the rural cemetery east of Waterloo. His gravestone reads: - "Jonathan H. Rockwell, Son of E & A, died Jan 3 1855, aged 25 yr 7 mo 13 da". See the photo on page 90 of the grave.

IX. STEPHEN M. ROCKWELL - b c1833 in Ohio. m 30 Aug 1855 Susannah Shull (DeKalb Co. Marriages, pg 44). Stephen and Susannah moved to Dakota Co., NE, arriving on 28 Aug, 1865, and opened a carpenter shop in Dakota City. They later moved to the vicinity of Homer, NE. Warner's "History of Dakota Co." states in 1893 that: "---his two sons, Ephrium and Henry live in Homer. He and two daughters, Eliza C. and Rodema, live in Indiana. 3 children are dead." Susannah was b c1837 in IN or PA, and died between 1867 and 1870 in Omadi Precinct, Dakota Co. NE.

1850 Census Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN, pg 494. Living with his widowed mother.
1860 Census Union twp, DeKalb Co., IN, pg 130. Carpenter age 27.
1870 Census Omadi Precinct, Dakota Co., NE, family 195, Carpenter. Susannah is missing. Stephen age 37.
1880 Census, Village of Waterloo, DeKalb Co., IN. "Stephen Rockwell, age 55, widower, carpenter, b Ohio, parents both born in Penna.". page 15, Family 131.

A. Amelia or Hammilla Rockwell - b c1858 in Union Twp. d by 1893.
B. Ephrium Rockwell - b c1858 in Union Twp. He was a sheriff of Dakota Co., NE and lived in Homer. He had a farm and ran a grocery/hardware store at various times. "A good carpenter" stated other family members. See his photograph on the following pages.
C. Lodema Rockwell - b early spring 1860 in Union Twp. Her first child was born out of wedlock, according to family stories, fathered by a full-blooded Indian in Indiana. She was later married to Charles Rigby, the son of David (b 1844 - d 17 Aug 1924) and Catherine Rigby. David Rigby was a Civil War Veteran of Co H, 30th Indiana Inf. Lodema d 2 Mar or Apr 1897 in Waterloo, IN. Charles m 2nd Drucilla ______.
    1. John Edward "Ed" Munger - b 18 May 1880 in Garrett, IN. m Florence Rockwell 22 Oct 1902 in Homer, NE. Moved to Collins, NY in 1916 with John Handy Rockwell and his sister-in-law, Linnie Rockwell Shook and their familys. Ed later lived in Lackawanna, NY and still later on his farm near Angelica, NY about 1924. A carpenter and contractor and part-time farmer. d 13 Jul, 1954. See page 188 for details on Ed and Florence and their 7 children.
    2. Denny C. Rigby - b 1886. m 1st Edna M. Getz (b 1890) on 8 Nov 1910 in DeKalb Co. m 2nd Viola Darkwood (b 1896 - d 1976).
        a. Pearl Rigby - b 14 May 1916. m Albert Alexander. d spring 1946.
        b. Kenneth Rigby - b 1931. Did not marry.
        c. Frank Rigby - b 1934. m Carolyn ______. They had a son, Dennis Rigby.
    3. Brownell Rigby - b 1888. m Anna R. Shea (b 1890) on 19 Jun 1909 in DeKalb Co. d late 1940s or early 1950s.

THE CHILDREN OF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL & ANNA continued.

            a. Charles Rigby - b 14 Apr 1910.
            b. June Rigby - b   June married and had 3 or 4 children.
        4. (male) Rigby - b 16 Dec 1889 in DeKalb Co., IN.
    D. Eliza C. Rockwell - b c1865 in Omadi Precinct, Dakota Co., NE. Evidently living with an aunt, Catharine Porter in 1880.
    E. Henry Rockwell - b c1867 in Omadi Precinct, Dakota Co., NE. Living in Homer in 1893, and was in Fairmont, MN in 1916.
    F. Casey Rockwell (female) - b c1870 in Nebraska. d between 1880 and 1893, probably in DeKalb Co., IN.
    G. _________ Rockwell - we have no data on this child, deceased by 1893.

**** IV. D. 1. c Helen Smith Jones, PO Box 1033, Topock, AZ 86436 contributed data for the Steven M. Rockwell family.

NOTES

In the book"Marriage Records of Shelby Co, Ohio", we find:

George Rockwell m Rosanna Bray 8 Aug 1851 by George Speaker JP, Book 3, pg 268.
George Rockwell m Catharine Moss 29 Sep 1856 by Joseph Mendenhall JP, Book 4, pg 36.

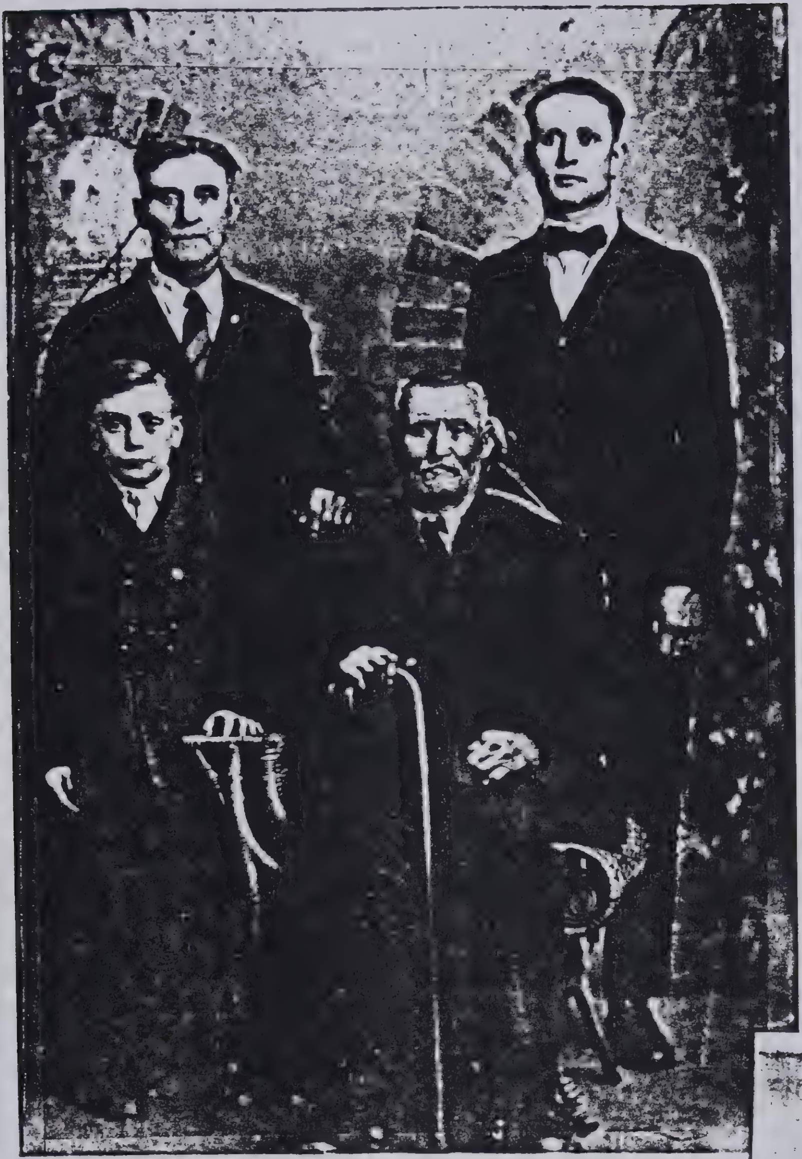
We have not been able to place this George Rockwell in our Rockwell family lines.

LEFT
Grandfather
Steven M. Rockwell
and grandchildren
Pearl E. Smith age 10
Raymond F. Smith age 4
Helen M. Smith age 1
on the Smith family farm
north of Luther, IA.
c1919.
(See page 97)

BELOW
Boone, IA
Feb 28, 1910
Myrtle V. Rockwell Smith
age 24 (Pg 97)
and
Willard Mills Rockwell
age 22 (Pg 98)

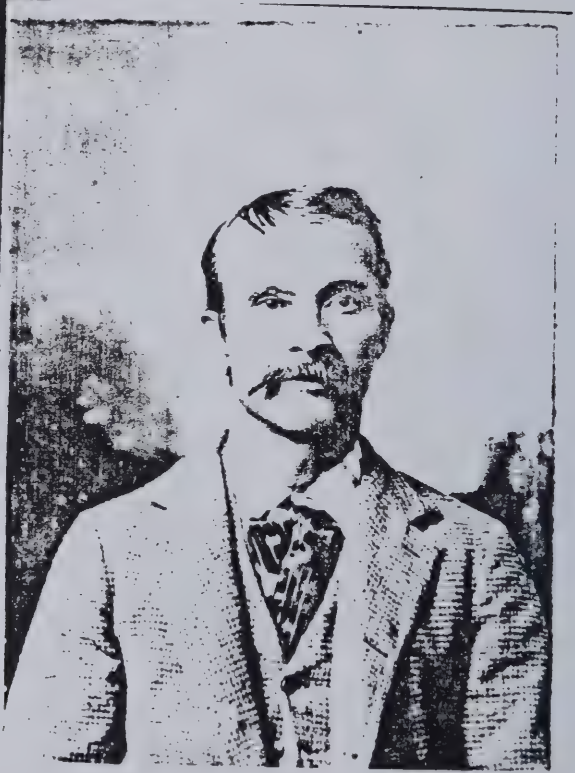
Left: Margaret Alice Rockwell Walters (Page 98) **Right:** Zylpha "Liz" Elizabeth Snyder Rockwell (Page 97)
c1895

THREE GENERATIONS OF RIGBY'S



Charles Rigby   Brownell Rigby
2 sons of David

Charles Rigby   David Rigby
son of Brownell   (1844 - 1924)
See pages 99 & 100



SHERIFF EPHRIUM ROCKWELL
son of Stephen M. Rockwell & Susannah Shull
See page 99

OUR TENTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT

Joel Rockwell was the first son of Ephrium and Anna Rockwell. He was born about 1817, probably in Scioto County, Ohio.

Joel was probably educated in a "subscription" school - one where the parents paid a fee to the teacher who consented to establish a school in the area. The refinements of public education had not made its appearance in that area during Joel's childhood. All indications are that Joel's father, Ephrium, had some education and desired that his children also be educated. There is no doubt that Joel was also required to perform many hours of hard work on the family farm, starting at the earliest age that he could capably handle any tasks. There were wooded areas that needed clearing, crops to be cultivated and harvested, and every-day chores tending the livestock and protecting them from prowling predators.

When Joel was about 16, the family moved from Scioto County, Ohio, to the northwest up to Shelby County, Ohio. The reason for this move is not known, since both areas were about equally well developed at that time. The move was probably made in the spring of 1833, after the birth of Joel's younger brother, Stephen. They probably traveled the "water route"; west on the Ohio River, and north up the Miami River to the vicinity of Sidney in Shelby County.

On the 19th of November, 1835, Joel married Margaret Julia Ann Trout, in all probability, the daughter of Jacob Trout. Joel was about 18 and Margaret had just turned 18, 16 days prior to their marriage. The ceremony was conducted by Alex E. Stuart, a Justice of the Peace for the Township of Clinton, and probably took place in the village of Sidney. It is recorded in Vol 1-2, page 137, in the Book of Shelby County Marriages. Note in the following pages on the Trout family, that Joel's probable sister, Hannah Rockwell, married Margaret's brother, George W. Trout on 17 Nov 1836 - a Rockwell brother and sister (Joel and Hannah) married a Trout sister and brother (Margaret and George) - the marriages taking place just under 1 year apart.

In the 1840 Census, we find Joel and Margaret in Perry Township, Shelby County. By then their family had grown to 2 young sons and 1 daughter. They are shown living within 22 names from Joel's father, Ephrium, and 12 names from Margaret's brother, George W. Trout.

THE MOVE TO UNION TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

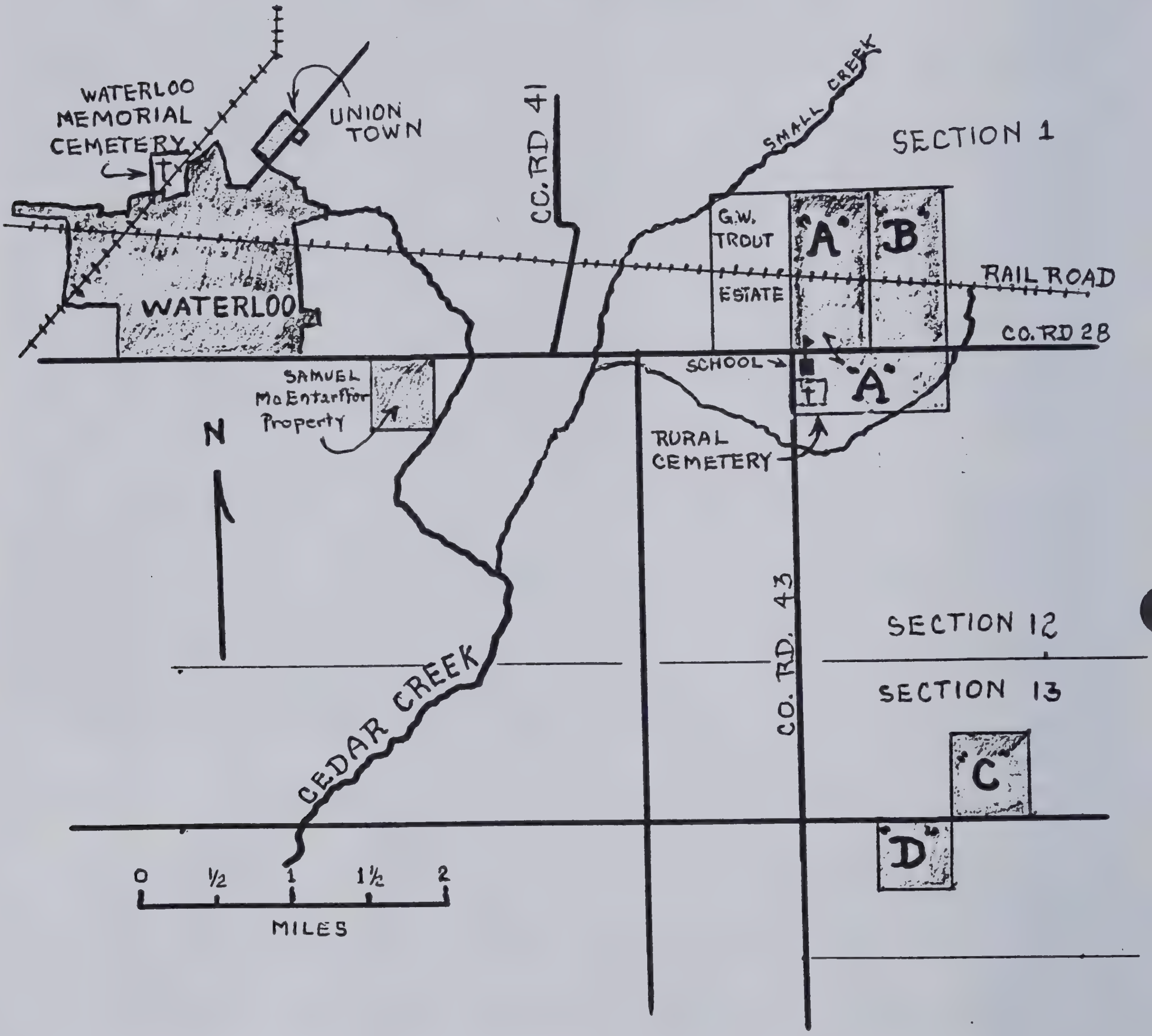
Indiana was admitted as a State on 11 December, 1816 and its growth was quite slow but steady. Public improvements were slow to come because new settlers did not have to pay taxes for 5 years after settling in their new home. The State was, consequently, very often in pretty tough financial straits. Settlers had very little market for their produce because of poor roads and no railroads. In 1839 land prices took a serious slump and this is probably what prompted the Rockwells to move into Indiana.

Early in 1845, Joel, his father and brothers, and Margaret's brother, George Trout, all moved to Union Township, DeKalb County, Indiana.

The next record we find for Joel is an indication that he owned 60 acres of land which was the eastern edge of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 1, Twp 34 North, Range 13 East. This property was purchased by Joel's father on 30 January, 1846, and evidently passed on to, or purchased by Joel at some later date. This plot is Lot "B" on the following map.

MAP OF UNION TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA cia 1880

(This area is now called Grant Township)


WATERLOO MEMORIAL CEMETERY
UNION TOWN
CO. RD 41
SMALL CREEK
SECTION 1
G.W. TROUT ESTATE
"A"
"B"
RAIL ROAD
WATERLOO
CO. RD 28
SCHOOL
"A"
SAMUEL McEntarffor Property
N
RURAL CEMETERY
CO. RD. 43
SECTION 12
SECTION 13
CEDAR CREEK
"C"
"D"
0
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1
1½
2
MILES

LOT "A" = purchased by Ephrium Rockwell 19 Dec 1844, 180 acres. The southern section of this lot contains the cemetery where Ephrium and other members of his family are buried.

LOT "B" = purchased by Ephrium Rockwell 30 Jan 1846, 60 acres. Later owned by Joel Rockwell and passed on to Joel's wife, Margaret, upon Joel's death. After multiple court proceedings and sales, Margaret ended up with 2.65 acres and 57.35 acres was owned by G.W. Trout, Margaret's brother, by 17 Jul 1854.

LOT "C" = farm purchased by John Barnhart on 28 Oct 1853.

LOT "D" = the Peter Barnhart farm, sold to John Barnhart on 4 Mar 1854.

Ephrium, Joel's father, died in 1846, and in the 1850 Census we find Joel and Margaret living next door to his widowed mother. The 1850 Census incidentally, was the first Census that listed EACH individual by name, age, and place of birth. Joel's family is listed in the 1850 Census by name, age, and place of birth, as follows:

"Joel	33	Ohio	Isaac	9	Ohio
Margaret	33	Ohio	Thomas	7	Ohio
George W.	12	Ohio	Handy	4	Indiana
Elizabeth	10	Ohio	Calvin	9/12	Indiana"

Next door on the other side are Joel's brothers, John and William and their families. Twelve doors away we find Daniel Dirr and his wife, Christiana, whom fate was preparing a key roll for the Rockwell family!

THE DEATH AND ESTATE OF JOEL ROCKWELL

Sometime between July and 17 October, 1850, Joel died of unknown causes at the age of 33. He left a young wife and 6 minor children. An estate was opened on the 17th of November, 1850 and lists his heirs as follows:

"Margaret Rockwell - widow		Thomas	7	(Note how the ages conflict
Elisabeth	11	Handy	3	with the 1850 Census taken
George	14	Calvin	1"	a few month previously.)
Isaac	8			

A Mr. E. B. Mott was appointed guardian of the children. The records of the proceedings of the probate of Joel's estate cover 18 handwritten pages in the records of the DeKalb County Probate Court! The original records were badly damaged by a fire in 1913 and the existing records have been copied over from the originals, but show many missing words and sections of data. This is why legal records on the Rockwell's in DeKalb County are so "sketchy"; many of the original documents have been destroyed.

Daniel Shull and John B. Rockwell, Joel's brother, applied for letters of Administration on 17 Nov, 1850 and inventoried Joel's estate on 12 Dec, 1850. Joel's estate consisted of the following items:

"1 Wagon
1 fanning mill
1 wrapper & old chaines
1 hand saw
2 forks
1 old harness
1 plow
1 grain cradle
1 grass scythe
1 heifer calf
1 yearling
1 kettle
6 hogs
2 saw logs at mill
5 saw logs at house
1 lot of chaines
1 breast chain
1 lot of old iron
1 sickle and shaving knife
1 fish spear
2 augers
1 iron wedge
4 sheep
1 clock
I lot of kitchen utencils
2 beds & bedding
1 wool wheel
9 track teeth
1 note against Handy Rockwell"

(Handy Rockwell would be Joel's younger brother, Jonathan Handy Rockwell.)

Note that there are no horses or oxen listed here - a bit unusual for a active farmer! This property was sold on 4 Jan 1851. Among the purchasers were Daniel Dirr, and Joel's brothers, Daniel, John B, and Handy Rockwell. A total of $237 in mortgages and taxes were outstanding against the estate. The court ordered that the 60 acres of land be sold in order to provide money to pay off the moneys due. After appraisments, the land was sold to Burgess Thompson for $60, plus interest.

Margaret evidently received her "dower share" of the estate, usually 1/3rd of its value, but all remaining assets did not cover the money still owing.

The estate was declared insolvent, and by July, 1854, George Trout, Margaret's brother, stepped in to help his sister and had paid off the original mortgage due on the land. George then purchased the land back from Thompson.

The best guess I can put together is that the assets and land did not gross over $130 total against the original liabilities of $237! Note also how George W. Trout intervened to assist his young widowed sister. When everything was settled, Margaret apparently ended up with the house and 2.65 acres of the original 60 acre farm.

Joel was probably buried with his father, Ephrium, in the cemetery across the road from his farm. Judging from the foregoing financial situation, it is not hard to see why there is no gravestone marking his grave.

We can well imagine the situation poor Margaret was in! She was left with 6 minor children, no farm, and no means to make a living. Margaret was probably dependent upon her brother George, and Joel's brothers for support.

About the time Joel died, fate struck down one of their neighbors also. Christianna Dirr, the wife of Daniel Dirr, died about the same time.

NOTES

MARGARET JULIA ANN TROUT

Margaret Julia Ann Trout, the probable daughter of Jacob Trout, was born 3 November, 1817 in Ohio.

On the 19th of November, 1835, she married Joel Rockwell in Shelby County, Ohio. By 1845 they had 4 children and made the move to DeKalb County, Indiana with other Trout and Rockwell family members.

Margaret's husband, Joel, died suddenly in mid-1850, leaving her a widow with 6 minor children and no means of support. She was assisted by her brother, George W. Trout, and the other members of the Rockwell family helped Margaret through the years of Probate of Joel's estate.

As fate would have it, a few doors away from Joel and Margaret, lived Daniel Dirr and his wife, Christiana, and their son, Samuel. The Dirrs were all born in Pennsylvania and were about 10 years older than the Rockwells. Christiana Dirr died about the same time as Joel.

On the 10th of July 1851 (pg 26, DeKalb Co Marriages), Daniel Dirr, the widower, and Margaret Rockwell, the widow were married. Daniel was about 48 and Margaret was 34. On 17 Jul 1854, when the final land transactions from Joel's estate were signed, Daniel "Derr" signed with his signature, and Margaret "Derr" signed with her "X". This transaction sold 57.35 acres to G. W. Trout, Margaret's brother, for $65.

In the 1860 Census, the only child from Margaret's first marriage still living at home was 10 year old Calvin. What happened to the other 5 children?

-- George Rockwell is living with his uncle Stephen Rockwell, 3 doors away and has learned the trade of carpenter.

-- ELizabeth has married Sammuel McEntarffer, a neighbor.

-- Issac is shown as a cooper (barrel maker) living with James Berry and his wife in the village of Waterloo.

--Thomas and Handy could not be located, but were probably living with relatives and/or "apprenticed" out to a tradesman. Joel's brothers, John, Stephen, and William, and "grandma" Anna Rockwell were all living nearby, but the two missing boys were not shown in their households.

Margaret and Daniel Dirr had three children from their 2nd marriage as shown in the 1860 Census: 1. Mary C. Dirr - b c1852. 2. Nancy J. Dirr - b c1854. 3. Matilda Dirr - b c1859.

In the 1870 Census for DeKalb County, Union Township, Family 93, we find:

Daniel Dirr	65 day laborer	PA	Matilda Dirr	12	Ind
Ruth	51 Keep house	NY	Lawrence Fisher	16	
Nancy A. Dirr	16	Ind	Julia Fisher	14	
			Sarah Fisher	12	

Margaret has evidently died sometime between 1860 and 1870, but we find no record of her death or place of buriel. It is possible she is buried with Joel in the Rockwell rural cemetery, both in unmarked graves.

Daniel, it appears has remarried to a widow, Ruth Fisher, or Ruth and her children live in the Dirr home as "hired hands". In the 1880 Census, Daniel Dirr is shown living with his daughter, Nancy and her husband, Issac Cromcl(?), in Franklin Twp, DeKalb Co. Daniel was shown as 76 years old. We have no other information on Daniel or on any of the Dirr children.

THE TROUT FAMILY

We know that Margaret's maiden name was Trout from the record of her marriage to Joel Rockwell in November, 1835 in Shelby Co., Ohio. To find Margaret's parents, I had to find a Trout family near the Rockwells in 1835.

The Trout name is originally German and may be found in many references in Colonial America. The earliest reference to a Trout family is in Delaware in 1697. At least 9 Trouts served in the American Revolution and they may be found in almost all of the 13 original states. A search of the 1820 Census showed that there were 19 Trout families scattered all over Ohio. Among them was one Jacob Trout living in Brown Township, Miami County. Brown Twp. is in the northeast corner of Miami County, not too distant from Perry Twp in Shelby Co. According to the 1820 Census, Jacob and his wife were between 26 and 45 years old, and had a son under 10 and 2 daughters under 10.

JACOB TROUT

Jacob Trout is our "best guess" as the father of Margaret based upon a close geographic proximity to the Rockwells in 1835 when Margaret married Joel Rockwell. In the "History of Shelby County", Ohio, there is a transcript from an early court record which shows that Jacob Trout was charged with larceny on Sep 4, 1820. Jacob pleaded "Not Guilty" and posted a $300 bond for the next court appearance. Jacob could not be present at the next session, but did appear for trial.

> "Tuesday, December 12, 1820. Present the same judges as yesterday. The State of Ohio vs Jacob Trout. Larceny. Verdict of not guilty by the jury."

In the 1830 Census the number of Trout families in Ohio had increased to 29, but Jacob is still living in Brown Township, Miami County. By now his family had increased and included:

> 1 male -5, 1 male 10-15, 1 male 40-50 (probably Jacob), 1 male 60-70, and 1 female -5, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 10-15 (possibly Margaret), 1 female 15 - 20, and 1 female 30-40 (Jacob's wife).

Jacob is missing in the 1840 and 1850 Census of Miami Co. and we have not been able to locate him since 1830.

MARGARET TROUT'S BROTHERS AND SISTERS

We know that Margaret had a very probable brother, George W. Trout, who moved to DeKalb Co., IN from OH at the same time as Joel and Margaret. In DeKalb Co., George lived in close proximity with Joel and Margaret and appears in the legal transactions in the settling of Joel's estate when he evidently assisted Margaret in her financial difficulties. Note that Joel and Margaret named their eldest son, "George W. Rockwell".

Mr. Albert A. Young of Rupert, ID, descends from a Trout family in Ohio. Upon the death of his father, Mr. Young found a piece of note paper upon which was written the names and, evidently, dates of birth of 8 Trout children as follows:

"Nancy Trout	11 Nov 1812	Elizabeth Trout	1 Sep 1824
George W. Trout	1 Apr 1814	Andrew Jackson Trout	18 Nov 1828
Margaret Trout	3 Nov 1817	Jacob D. Trout	6 Dec 1831
Miah Lousey Trout	28 Jan 1819	Lorenzo Dow Trout	20 Aug 1833"

Note that we have a "Margaret" and a "George W." as brother and sister, with ages that match our Margaret and George from Census records in DeKalb County. Note also that we have a fair "fit" with these children vs the 1820 and 1830 Census reports on Jacob Trout. I feel very confident that the above list are the children of Jacob Trout and are the brothers and sisters of our Margaret.

GEORGE W. TROUT - b 1 Apr 1814 in OH. He was married to Hannah Rockwell by Alex Stewart, JP,on 17 Nov 1836 in Shelby Co., OH (Book 1 & 2, pg 159). Hannah is the probable sister Joel Rockwell, thus we would have a Trout brother and sister marrying a Rockwell sister and brother. Hannah was born 27 Dec 1814 in NY and died 26 Jan 1862. She is buried in the rural cemetery near Ephrium Rockwell, her probable father. George moved to IN with the Rockwells and established the first store in Uniontown, a suburb of what was to become Waterloo (Waterloo grew and absorbed Uniontown) in DeKalb County. He donated the land on which the United Brethren Church was built in Waterloo while he was a member of the Church Board of Trustees in Nov 1862. After the death of Hannah, George married 2nd, Sarah (McClure?). George died 22 Nov 1876 and is buried in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery. Sarah subsequently remarried to the Rev S. P. Klotz, a minister of the United Brethren Church. She died 5 Feb 1907, age 66 years, 11 months, and 15 days. Sarah is buried in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery and her grave marker is with the McClure family plot. George was a fairly successful business man and was in a financial position to assist his widowed sister, Margaret Rockwell, when the need arose.

1840 Census, Perry Twp, Shelby Co., pg 305, line 3. George & wife, 0 children. 12 names from Joel Rockwell.
1850 Census, Union Twp., DeKalb Co. fam 138, George & wife, 0 children, farmer
1860 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co, pg 22. George, Hannah, and 0 children, merchant, $3500 in real estate, $8000 in personal property.
1870 Census, Waterloo, DeKalb Co., pg 11, George, Sarah, Eugene 9, George W. Jr 7, Eldaia 5. Dry goods merchant.
1880 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co. pg 29. Sarah widow, Eugene 19, William 17, Doug 15.
George Trout's Will is on file in the DeKalb Co. Clerks office, Will Book 1, page 363

EUGENE TROUT, the adopted son of George, was b 16 Sep 1858. He m "Frankie" Buss on 12 May 1881. Eugene started a successful livery business in Auburn, IN in Sep 1884. They had two children: George W. & Cyrus B. Trout.

MIAH LOUSEY TROUT - b 28 Jan 1819 in Ohio. m Jacob Issac Halsey and moved to Indiana after 1849. She died in Huntington, Indiana 8 Oct 1905. They had a daughter, Martha Viola Halsey (b 1 Sep 1849 - d 3 Dec 1931 Auburn, IN) who m Jeremiah T. Young (b 14 Sep 1847 - d 18 Sep 1934 Rochester, IN). Miah is Mr Albert Young's gggrandmother.

We have no information on the other 5 brothers and sisters of Margaret.

NOTES

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT

I. GEORGE W. ROCKWELL - b 16 Sep 1836 in Perry Township, Shelby Co., OH. Married Elizabeth "Betty" Widner on 2 Dec 1860 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. Betty was b 24 Feb 1842 in Waterloo. After the Civil War, there was a gradual migration of the Rockwells to Nebraska. George's uncle Stephen Rockwell was the first to go, followed by his uncle John, and brothers John H. and Calvin. George and Betty followed and drove off the ferryboat at Covington, Dakota Co., Nebraska on 10 Nov, 1869. They settled on Fiddler's Creek, 3 miles west of Homer. Betty died 3 April 1907 and George died 14 Aug 1917. Both are buried in the Fiddler Creek Cemetery.

1850 Census, Union Twp., DeKalb Co, IN. Fam #54, pg 496.
1860 Census, Union Twp, DeKalb Co, IN. Fam #197, pg 130.
1870 Census, Omadi Precinct, Dakota Co., NE. Fam #259, real estate value $1600, personal property $500.

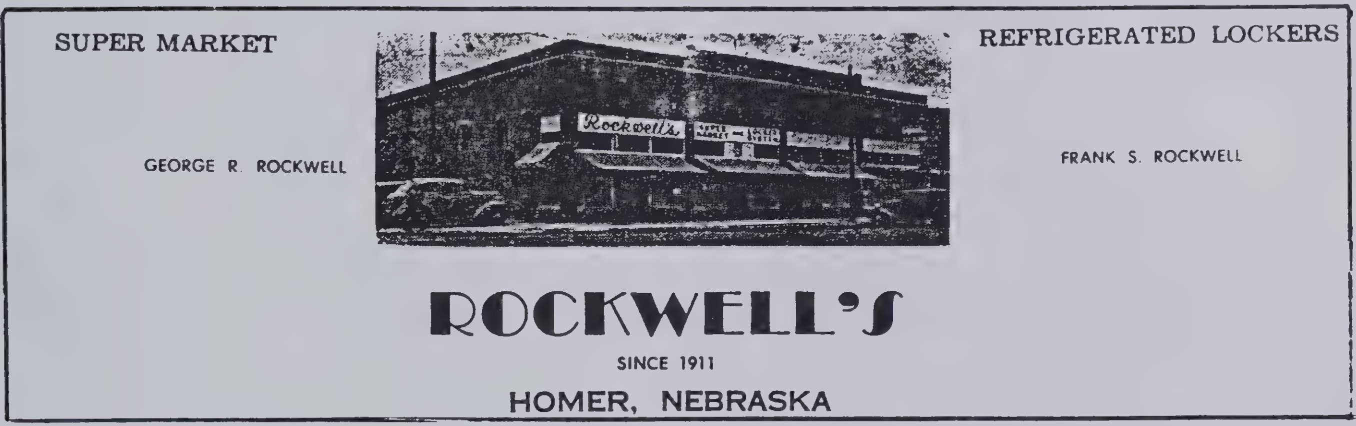
A. Mary Ellen "Ella" Rockwell - b 7 Sep 1862 DeKalb Co. m Levi Dustin Bruce on 3 Dec 1888. Dustin is a brother of Edward Bruce who married Ella's sister, Minnie - a case of 2 brothers who married 2 sisters. Dustin was b 29 Feb 1858 in Aurora, IN and died 12 Jun 1906 in Homer, NE. Ella died in Gordon, NE 23 Nov 1946.

1. Charles Levi Bruce - b 20 Jul 1886 in Tekamah, NE. m Laura Gallagher. d Denver CO 18 Jun 1931. No children.
2. William Clark Bruce - b 26 Nov 1891 Tekamah, NE. m Millie Stokes Townsend. d 26 Nov 1891 Battle Creek, MI
   a. Phyllis Bruce - b 1916. d 1917 Council Bluffs, IA.
   b. Bertha Bruce - b 1922. m Walter Anderson.
3. Gladdis Mary Bruce - b 2 Sep 1898 Tekamah, NE. m Thomas Mulcahy on 3 Jan 1917. They lived in Gordon, NE.
   a. Thomas Raymond Mulcahy - b 23 Nov 1917.
   b. Bruce Phillip Mulcahy - b 8 Jun 1919.
   c. Marilyn Mulcahy - b 19 Apr 1921. m Robert James Harris.
   d. Genevieve Gladdis Mulcahy - b 19 Jan 1923. m Oliver Charles Harris 15 Mar 1943.
   e. Leland Earl Mulcahy - b 20 Feb 1927. m Joan Catherin Rathbun on 12 Apr 1960.
   f. Lucille Betty Mulcahy - b 19 Nov 1929. m Harvey Leonard Robinson on 29 May 1946.
   g. Lola Irene Mulcahy - b 29 Oct 1932. m Carl Leo Otte on 23 Oct 1950.
   h. James Franklin Mulcahy - b 14 Sep 1934.
   i. John Dean Mulcahy - b 25 Jul 1942.
4. Arthur Logan Bruce - b Dec 1899. m Ruth Alice Auker on 2 Jun 1923. They lived in Gordon, NE. Ruth d 1983 and Arthur d 1987.
   a. Arthur Logan Bruce Jr. - b & d 9 Mar 1924.
   b. Robert Lee Bruce - b 14 Apr 1925. m Charlotte Rieke on 7 Jun 1949. Robert was a professor at Cornell University for 30 years and he d 1990.
   **** c. Maurice Clark Bruce - b 2 Jan 1927. m Dorothy Thorsen on 17 May 1953.
   **** d. Dean Edward Bruce - b 6 Feb 1929. m Nerva Suhr on 10 Oct 1954.
   **** e. Betty Ann Bruce - b 27 May 1930. m Robert Nile Purvis on 16 Oct 1948.
   f. Beverly Jean Bruce - b 13 Feb 1934. m Dale Wallace Hatch on 3 Apr 1955.
   g. Billy Jay Bruce - b 27 Nov 1945.

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT continued.

B. Louis V. Rockwell - b 30 Apr 1864 Union Twp., DeKalb Co. IN. m Julia E. Johnson on 18 Oct 1887.

1. George Raymond Rockwell - b 1 Sep 1888 in Homer, NE. m Lula Elsie Mennerich (b15 Jan 1892 - d 24 Aug 1944) on 1 Jun 1915. d 26 Dec 1969. i Sioux City, NE.
    a. George Raymond Rockwell - b 10 Sep 1916.
    b. Harlan Dale Rockwell - b 11 Jul 1918. m Helen Elizabeth Grandlund (b 11 Oct 1918 - d 19 Apr 1945) on 13 Jul 1941. m 2nd Ruth E. Sowers on 7 Apr 1951.
    Children: Mary L., Janice M., and Steven D. Rockwell
    c. Frank Stewart Rockwell - b 30 Jan 1920. m 19 Aug 1947 Catharine Grewcock. d 27 Oct 1962. Catharine was the last Rockwell in the Homer area in 1994.
    Children: Margaret Ann, Jackie Sue, and Douglas Dean Rockwell
**** d. Lois Elizabeth Rockwell - b 29 Dec 1927. m George Gordon Biles on 6 Feb 1949. They lived in Van Nuys and later, Long Beach, CA.
    Children: Vincent G., Daniel G., and Jean A. Biles.
**** e. Paul H. Rockwell - b 21 Dec 1929. m Kathryn Stommer on 4 Mar 1956. They lived in Beamer, NE and later, Souix City, IA.
    Children: John D., Damon E., Silvia D., and Warren D. Rockwell.


SUPER MARKET
REFRIGERATED LOCKERS
GEORGE R. ROCKWELL
FRANK S. ROCKWELL
ROCKWELL'S
SINCE 1911
HOMER, NEBRASKA

LETTERHEAD OF THE ROCKWELL STORE IN HOMER, NEBRASKA
Owned and operated by father and son, George Raymond and Frank Stewart Rockwell, above.

2. Helen Elizabeth Rockwell - b 9 Apr 1890 in Homer, NE. m Cash F. Wadsworth (b 12 Jul 1888 - d 25 Sep 1945) on 27 Aug 1919. Helen was a school teacher in Douglas, WY for many years and accumulated most of the data on the George W. Rockwell family.
3. John G. Rockwell - b 26 Jul 1892. m Eugenia Madsen (b 31 Jan 1890 - d 21 Mar 1965) in 1921. John was a WW I veteran and held a PHD in Education. d 5 Feb 1967.
    a. Helen Louise Rockwell - b 1925.
    b. Jane Rockwell - b 27 Dec 1929.
4. Forrest P. Rockwell - b 9 Jul 1899. m Freda C. Rohn on 20 Jun 1923. Freda was b 23 Jul 1896. Forrest is a WW I Navy veteran.
    a. Lavonne deForrest Rockwell - b 12 Dec 1925. m Leslie W. Pressey on 8 Jun 1950.
    Children: Janet K Pressey.

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT continued.

        - b. Nevin Rahn Rockwell - b 28 Dec 1927. m Joanne Rapp on 19 Apr 1953. Children: Linda Kay, Carol Ann, and Sharon Sue Rockwell.
        - c. LeRoy J. Rockwell - b 7 Jun 1936. m Shirley Kay Becher on 16 Jun 1962. Children: Kent Allen, and Susan Kay Rockwell.
- C. Jessie Arminda "Minnie" Rockwell - b 2 Nov 1866 in Angola, IN. m 14 Feb 1888 in Homer, NE to Edward H. Bruce (b 26 Mar 1859 - d 14 Jan 1945). d 10 Jan 1940 in Takamah, NE.
    - 1. George Amos Bruce - b 7 Dec 1888 in Tekamah, m Abbie E. Romans on 14 Feb 1912. d 19 Jan 1955 in Freemont, NE.
        - a. Marian Bruce - b 7 Sep 1913. m R. A. Tomkins. 1 son: Bruce Tomkins.
        - b. Robert Bruce - b 30 Apr 1917. m
        - c. Frances May Bruce - b 9 May 1921. m Harold Hauff. Children: Mary L., and Julie Hauff.
        - d. Betty Lou Bruce - b 10 May 1927. m Larry Coates. 3 sons.
        - e. Bonnie Jean Bruce - b 26 Nov 1929. m Luther Heller. Children: Scott, Sandra, Greg, and Georgene Heller.
    - 2. Earnest Bruce - b 13 Jan 1894. m Rozella Mae Lee on 25 Jul 1917. Rozella b 24 Apr 1899.
        - a. Kenneth Lee Bruce - b 2 Feb 1918. m Zola Jones on 18 Nov 1940. Sola b 8 Mar 1917. 1 son: Richard N. Bruce.
        - b. Minnie Audette Bruce - b 31 Dec 1919. m Edwin E. Butterfield on 21 Nov 1946. Edwin b 16 Oct 1908. Children: Janis E., Joanne J., Larry E. Butterfield.
        - c. Ernest Eugene Bruce - b 23 Oct 1923. m Wilodyne Miles on 18 Jan 1947. Wilodyne b 11 Aug 1928. Children: Panelle J., Robin K., & Allen D. Bruce.
    - 3. Edna May Bruce - b 28 Nov 1895 Tekamah, NE. m Jasper Bender on 20 May 1925. d 16 Dec 1965 Shelton, WA.
        - a. Shirley Anne Bender - b 7 Sep 1934. m Gene E. Sawyer on 20 Jun 1953. Lived in Shelton, WA. Children: Craig E., Jeffery B., & Sherri L. Sawyer.
        - b. Lynn Allen Bender - b 1 Jan 1938. m Joan Carver on 16 Jun 1961. Lived in El Paso, TX and Panama Canal Zone. Children: Linda, Floyd A. & William H. Bender.
    - 4. Dorothy Ellen Bruce - b 15 Apr 1912. m Joseph Burrell on 21 May 1957. Live in Tekamah, NE.
- D. William Henry Rockwell - b 10 Jan 1873. m Iona Allaway (b 7 Aug 1875 - d 23 Dec 1957) on 30 Oct 1895. d 14 Jan 1946.
    - 1. Clarence William Rockwell - b 3 Jul 1905. m Eva LaVerne Calaridge on 3 Jul 1929. d 15 Aug 1944.
        - a. Dale William Rockwell - b 2 May 1931. m Audrey Loy Paulsen on 23 May 1954. Children: Rex William & Kirk Allen Rockwell.
- E. Alton E. Rockwell - b 8 Jun 1875. d 3 May 1876.
- F. Freeman A. Rockwell - b 29 Aug 1878 in Homer. m Lizzie Thorne.
    - 1. Valda Rockwell - b 1907. m Junior E. Cox.
    - 2. Harold Rockwell - b Oct 1915. m Mable Smith. d 1965.
        - a. Richard Rockwell - b . m Vickie Kelley in 1966.
        - b. Shirley Rockwell - b . m Gene Stolze in 1966.
- G. Cornelious J. Rockwell - b 10 Sep 1880. d 1 Dec 1882.

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT continued.

II. ELIZABETH ROCKWELL - born 17 September, 1840 in Perry Twp., Shelby Co., OH. Married Samuel McEntarffer in DeKalb Co, IN on 19 Dec 1854 (pg 40 DeKalb Co Marriages). Samuel was born in OH in 1829 and his parents were from PA. There are many McEntarffer families shown in the DeKalb Co. Census records, but their relationship is unknown; some appear to have come from PA, some from MD, and some from VA. Note that Elizabeth was just over 14 when she married Samuel. Samuel owned the farm near Waterloo shown on the map on page 102. Samuel died on Monday, the 11th of April, 1881, leaving a widow with 8 children. Samuel and four deceased children are buried in a rural cemetery at the junction of county road 41 and 24 in Union (now Grant) Twp., DeKalb Co. Most of the headstones have been moved, buried or broken. Samuel's stone reads as follows:

> "Samuel McEntarffer died April 11, 1881 - Age 52 yrs 3 mos 13d.
> Silas - died Apr 6 1857, Age 6 mo 22d.
> Albert - died Feb 10, 1862, Age 1 yr 1 mo 1 d.
> Andrew - died Aug 20, 1863, Age 3 yr 5 mo 5d.
> Hattie - died May 29 1879, Age 6 yr 8 mo 2d.
> Children of S & E McEntarffer"

Elizabeth held the family together and in 1883 moved to Dakota Co., NE to be with her brothers. Elizabeth died 5 Mar 1892 in Homer. The funeral was from the Methodist Episcopal Church and she was buried in the Grove Cemetery.

1870 Census Union Twp, DeKalb Co, Fam 257. Real estate value $6000, personal estate value $800.

1880 Census Union Twp., DeKalb Co. pg 7 Fam #55.

A. Silas McEntarffer - b 14 Sep 1856. d 6 Apr 1857.
B. Melvina McEntarffer - b c1857. m Samuel Shaffer. Samuel arrieved in Dakota Co., NE in 1885. When Melvina died of TB, he m 2nd Emma May Rockwell, the daughter of John Handy Rockwell, a cousin of Melvina (see page 185).
    1. Arthur Shaffer - b . m . Art and his brother homesteded in Idaho prior to 1916. His wife died prior to 1922. Art worked in the shipyards in Seattle during WW II.
        a. Melvina Shaffer - b . m Vernon Compton.
        b. - e. 4 other children, names unknown.
    2. Charles Shaffer - b . m . Living in Seattle c 1943.
    3. Blanche Shaffer - b . d age 19 about 1904 of TB.
C. James Monroe McEntarffer - b 27 Jul 1858 near Waterloo, IN. m Jennie Lea Pifer on 2 Oct 1883. Jennie b Jul 1861 in Morrisville, IN and d 19 Jan 1954 in Emerson, NE. James d 16 Dec 1932 in Emerson, NE and i Rosehill Cemetery.
**** 1. Clara McEntarffer - b . m King. Lived in Lincoln, NE.
    2. Marie McEntarffer - b . m Everton.
    3. Stella McEntarffer - b
    4. Anna McEntarffer - b
    5. Levi McEntarffer - b
    6. Harry McEntarffer - b . Killed in WW I.
D. Matilda McEntarffer - b 12 Dec 1859 in Waterloo, IN. m Nelson Feauto. d 14 Jun 1945 in Emerson, NE. They had 1 adopted son.
E. Andrew McEntarffer - b 15 Feb 1860. d 20 Aug 1863.
F. Albert McEntarffer - b 9 Jan 1861. d 10 Feb 1862.

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT continued.

G. Alonzo McEntarffer - b 14 Nov 1864 Waterloo, IN. He played the tuba in the Homer, NE Cornet Band. m Alzada Thorne. Listed in the 1922 Census, a furniture carver. d 1944 in Sioux City IA.
   1. & 2. sons, names unknown\
   3. daughter, name unknown.

H. Emma McEntarffer - b 6 Oct 1867 in Waterloo, IN. m John C. Smith on 3 Jul 1885 Dakota City, NE. d 6 Jun 1936 in Hubbard, NE. i Fiddler Creek Cemetery, Homer.
   1. Arthur Smith - b . m . d. . His daughter and widow were living in CA in 1977.
   2. Charles Smith - b . m . Lived in Walthill, NE. They had twin boys, one of which did not marry.

I. Jay McEntarffer - b 19 Mar 1868 in Waterloo, IN. m 1st Mary Etna Harris on 13 Jul 1892. Mary was b 1871 and d 17 Apr 1897 from an operation to remove a tumor, age 26 yr 8 mo 12 d. m 2nd Mary Emma Wilson (b 22 Nov 1870 in Cross Creek, PA. - d 21 Jan 1957 in San Fernando, CA.) on 19 Mar 1899 in Emerson, NE. For a while, Jay ran the hotel in Homer, and later, the Great Northern Hotel in Ft. Morgan, CO. d 24 Jun 1940 in Ft. Morgan, CO.
   1. George Franklin McEntarffer - b 12 Apr 1894. d 14 Oct 1918 in a hospital in Brest, France, having taken sick with pneumonia on the way to France in WW I. re-i Jul 1920 in Ft Morgan, CO.
   2. Lloyd James McEntarffer - b 17 Mar 1893. d 21 Dec 1918 of typhoid fever in France where he served during WW I. re-i Jul 1920 Fort Morgan, CO.

**** 3. Nellie Iren McEntarffer - b 5 May 1903 in Everatt, WA. Her birth mother was Belle Matthewson and she was adopted by Jay and Mary Emma. m Earl Wilson, the son of Robert Emmett Wilson (17 Feb 1878 - 22 Oct 1927) and Grace Beatrice Strain (2 Jul 1882 - 2 Feb 1975). Earl was b 25 Nov 1902 in Ozark, MO. Nellie and Earl were m 29 Nov 1920 in Akron, CO. Earl played in his High School band with Glenn Miller, and was later, a mortician and served in the US Marines in WW I and the US Navy in WW II. He d 21 Jan 1980 in Bishop, CA. Nellie was a postal clerk. d 2 Mar 1996 Bishop, CA. leaving 4 children, 10 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren, and 21 great-great-grandchildren.
      a. Grace Emma Wilson - b 30 Mar 1921. m 1st 24 Mar 1940 Glenn Richmond Bulman. Div 1952. m 2nd Jake Beason 28 Mar 1952. Div 1961. m 3rd 14 Nov 1970 Charles Asa Davis. Charles d 1981. m 4th 21 Aug 1982 Carlton Durling. They reside in Redlands, CA.
         (1) Glenn Richard Bulman Jr - b & d 1943.
         (2) Glennva Grace Bulman - b 19 Jun 1943.
         (3) Glenn Richmond Bulman - b 19 Aug 1946.
      b. Earl Wilson Jr. - b 24 Dec 1926 Van Nuys, CA. m 22 Jun 1952 Lois Corinne Nettleton (b 20 Oct 1931). Earl was a construction foreman and they live in Big Pine, CA.
         (1) Earl Wilson III - b 28 May 1953.
         (2) Robinn Annelle Wilson - b 23 Sep 1954.
         (3) Scott Allan Wilson - b 24 Feb 1958.
         (4) Kirk George Wilson - b 30 Aug 1959.
         (5) Baby Wilson - b & d
      c. Mary Louise Wilson - b 27 Aug 1928. m 6 Dec 1946 James Craig Edwin McGinnis (b 23 Oct 1922). James is a fuel storage supervisor. They live in Victorville, CA.
         (1) Lynda Denise McGinnis - b 27 Sep 1947.
         (2) Douglas Jay McGinnis - b 25 Jan 1952.

THE CHILDREN OF JOEL ROCKWELL & MARGARET TROUT continued.

**** d. Lloyd Franklin Wilson - b 7 Sep 1936. m 25 Nov 1961 Lynda Gayle Nichols (b 5 Oct 1943). Retired from the Mono County Sheriffs Dept. after 25 years service in 1987. Reside in Mammouth Lakes, CA.
(1) Shelly Ann Wilson - b 6 Jul 1965.
(2) Steven Lloyd Wilson - b 27 Apr 1968.

J. Nettie McEntarffer - b 14 Mar 1870 in Waterloo, IN. m William R. Shearer on 13 Feb 1901 in Homer, NE. Operated a cafe in Emerson, NE for many years. A member of the Presbyterian Church for 50 years and was the oldest resident of Emerson when she died at the age of 98 on 4 Feb 1969.
1. Twila - b . Adopted daughter. m Leonard Denker.

K. Hattie McEntarffer - b 27 Sep 1872. d 29 May 1879.

L. Cornelius McEntarffer - b 9 Aug 1877. m . d 28 Jan 1895 in Homer, NE of pneumonia.

M. Wilbert Swabber McEntarffer - b 11 Oct 1878 in Butler, IN. m 26 Sep 1906 to Viola Christina Waldman in Sioux City, IA. Wilbert worked in construction and died of a ruptured appendix on 3 Jan 1931. i Linwood Park Cemetery, Boone Co., IA.

III. ISACC ROCKWELL - born 22 Mar 1841 in Shelby Co., OH. Married Elizabeth Pugh on 18 Mar, 1861 (pg 80, DeKalb Co. Marriages). Enlisted in the 23rd Battery, Indiana Light Artillery on 24 Oct 1862. Served, with a slight break in service, until 2 July, 1865. He lived in DeKalb Co., as a farmer until 1871, spent 6 months in Michigan, and lived near Neoga. IL for the rest of his life. Elizabeth died 24 Aug 1912 and "Ike" lived with his daughter, Lottie Pridemore, until his death from bloodpoisoning of the foot on 27 June, 1916. Ike is buried in the Toledo Cemetery in IL. He was 5' 7 1/2" tall, fair complexion, brown hair and light hazel eyes according to his enlistment records with the Army. All of the data on Isacc Rockwell is from his Civil War Pension File #547074 and his Illinois death certificate #09360.

A. Mary Rockwell - b 4 Jul 1862. m Carter. d prior to 1916.
B. Margaret Jane Rockwell - b Apr 1866. d 21 Mar 1867, age 11 mo 18 days. (DeKalb Co. Cemetery Records, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Rockwell.
C. Susie Rockwell - b 14 Jan 1878. m Plummer.
D. Ethel Rockwell - b 8 Mar 1881. m Davis.
E. Lottie Rockwell - b 16 Jan 1885. m Harry Pridemore.

IV. THOMAS ROCKWELL - born c1842 in Perry Twp., Shelby Co. OH. Thomas was listed in the 1850 Census, and as a heir to his father's estate in Nov 1850. Both he, and his brother, John Handy, could not be located in the 1860 Census and were evidently living with relatives or friends in order to relieve their widowed mother. Nothing more is known about Thomas and it is assumed he either moved away from DeKalb County, or died as a young man.

V. JOHN HANDY ROCKWELL - born 9 Aug 1845 in Union Township, DeKalb Co., IN. Married Malinda Barnhart on 27 Oct, 1867 in DeKalb Co. Served in the Civil War and moved to Homer, NE after the war. Died in Eden, NY 31 May 1935. John is the next generation in our Rockwell line.

VI. CALVIN LUTHER ROCKWELL - b 9 Mar 1850 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. In January 1868, Cal and his brother, Handy, left Indiana for a new home in Dakota County, Nebraska. An old family story tells about the time Cal took a girl to a dance at Blyburg, Nebraska. He was driving a team of oxen, one of which was having some intestinal problems. The ox coughed, and let fly - Cal and his date didn't go to the dance that night! Cal married Marelda or Mellirina Smith (b 4 Aug 1859 in Oil City, PA - d 14 Mar 1943). Cal was a farmer and took his homestead on Pigeon

Creek, near Homer. He died 27 Feb 1927 in Homer of apoplexy and was buried in the Omaha Valley Cemetery in Homer.

Note: The city locations for the following descendants are as of 1968.

A. Leander Irvin Rockwell - b 1876. m Ethel Church.
    1. Louis H. Rockwell - b . m Doris . Lived in Kokomo, IN. 2 children.
    2. Luella Rockwell - b . m . 3 children.
    3. Pauline Rockwell - b . m George Elmbarg. Lived in Omaha, NE. 1 son.
    4. Calvin Rockwell - b . Lived in Kansas City, MO.

B. John Calvin Rockwell - b 1878 in St. John, IN. m Ada Adell Queen who was born in Whiting, IA. John d 1958.
    1. Alta Corrine Rockwell - b . Lived in Fresno, CA. Alta was not married and furnished most of the data on her grandfather's family in 1968 -1970.
    2. Joyce Adell Rockwell - b . m Eldo C. Betcke. Lived in Napa, ID.
        a. Janet Corrine Betcke - b . m John D. Rodriquez.
        b. Cheryl Ann Betcke - b . m James C. Nace.
    3. Lillian Lorraine Rockwell - b . Lived in Fresno, CA. Not married.
    4. John Harland Rockwell - b . m Anna Ruth Berthold. Lived in Bakersfield, CA.
        a. Michael Bruce Rockwell - b
        b. Christine Louise Rockwell - b
        c. Roxana Lynn Rockwell - b

C. Charles F. Rockwell - b 1881. m Mabel Church.
    1. Milton C. Rockwell - b . m 1st Doris . m 2nd Irma Inke.
        a. Rockwell - (daughter).
        b. Donald Rockwell - b
    2. Erma Rockwell - b . m Harry Leibe. Lived in Kearney, NE.
        a. Bruce Leibe - b
        b. Max Leibe - b
    3. Ilene Rockwell - b . m Herschel Remy. Lived in Kearney, NE.
        a Donald Remy - b
    4. Edith Rockwell - b . d as an infant.

D. Etta Rockwell - b 1883. m Arthur Bliven. Lived in Kansas City, MO.
    1. Leon Bliven - b . m Edith .
        a. Rose Marie Bliven - b
        b. Norma Bliven - b

E. "Birdy " Rockwell - b 1885. d at birth or shortly thereafter.

F. Elsie Rockwell - b . m Frank Spencer.
    1. Archie Spencer - b . m Georgia . Lived in Maxbass, ND
    2. Helen Spencer - b . Deceased by 1970.
    3. Blanche Spencer - b . m Don Thompson.
    4. Jessie Spencer - b . Deceased by 1970.
    5. Evelyn Spencer - b . m Julian Toland. Lived in Westhope, ND.
        a. (son)
    6. Earl Spencer - b . m Alyce . Lived in OH.
        a. & b. 2 daughters

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7. Frank Spencer - b . m Ida Mae . Lived in Ventura, CA.
    a. Ronald Spencer - b
    b. Bryon Spencer - b
    c. Rozan Spencer - b
8. Harland Rockwell Spencer - b . m Marion . Lived in Ventura, CA.
    a. Sheryl Spencer - b

G. Sylvia Rockwell - b . m George Harris.
1. Marie Harris - b . m Barber. Divorced.
    a. (son)

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*** I. A. 4. c. Murice C. Bruce, PO Box 322, Gordon, NE 69343-0322.
d. Dean Bruce, 217 S. Elm St., Gordon, NE 69343
e. Betty Ann Purvis, PO Box 231, Burke, SD 57523

*** I. B. 1. d. Lois & Gordon Biles, 235 Roycroft Ave., Long Beach, CA 90803
e. Paul Rockwell, 2011 Grandview Blvd., Souix City, IA 51104

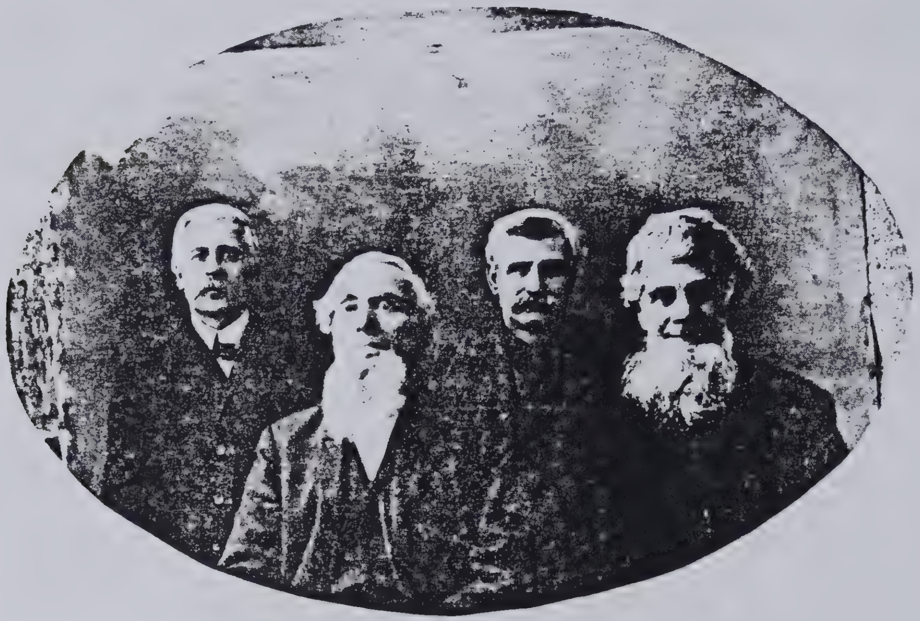
*** II. C. 1. Clara King, 3094 St. Paul St., Lincoln, NE 68504

*** II. I. 3. Nellie Iren McEntarffer Wilson corresponded with the author many times in the early 1990s and she furnished additional data on the Rockwells. Her wonderful letters gave a view of the "early days" and are extracted in the Appendix.

*** II. I. 3. d. Lloyd & Lynda Wilson, Box 217, Mammoth Lakes, CA 95051. Lynda, Nellie Iren's daughter, also helped accumulate data on this branch of the family.

PHOTOS FROM JOHN HANDY ROCKWELL'S PHOTO ALBUM

The photos on the following pages are from a old photo album owned by John Handy Rockwell and his wife, Malinda Barnhart. It was passed on to their daughter, Linnie Fay Rockwell Shook, who in turn passed it on to their daughter, Marjorie Ann Shook Close.

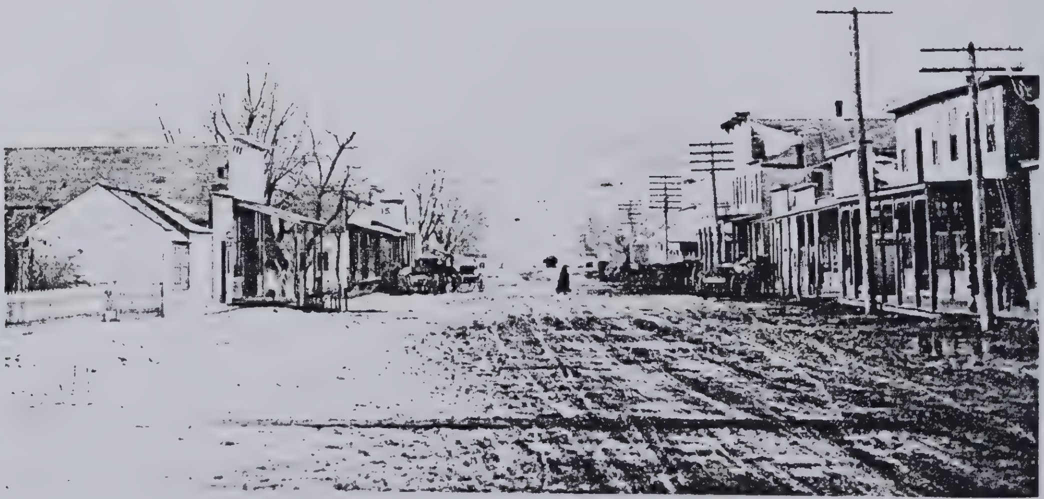


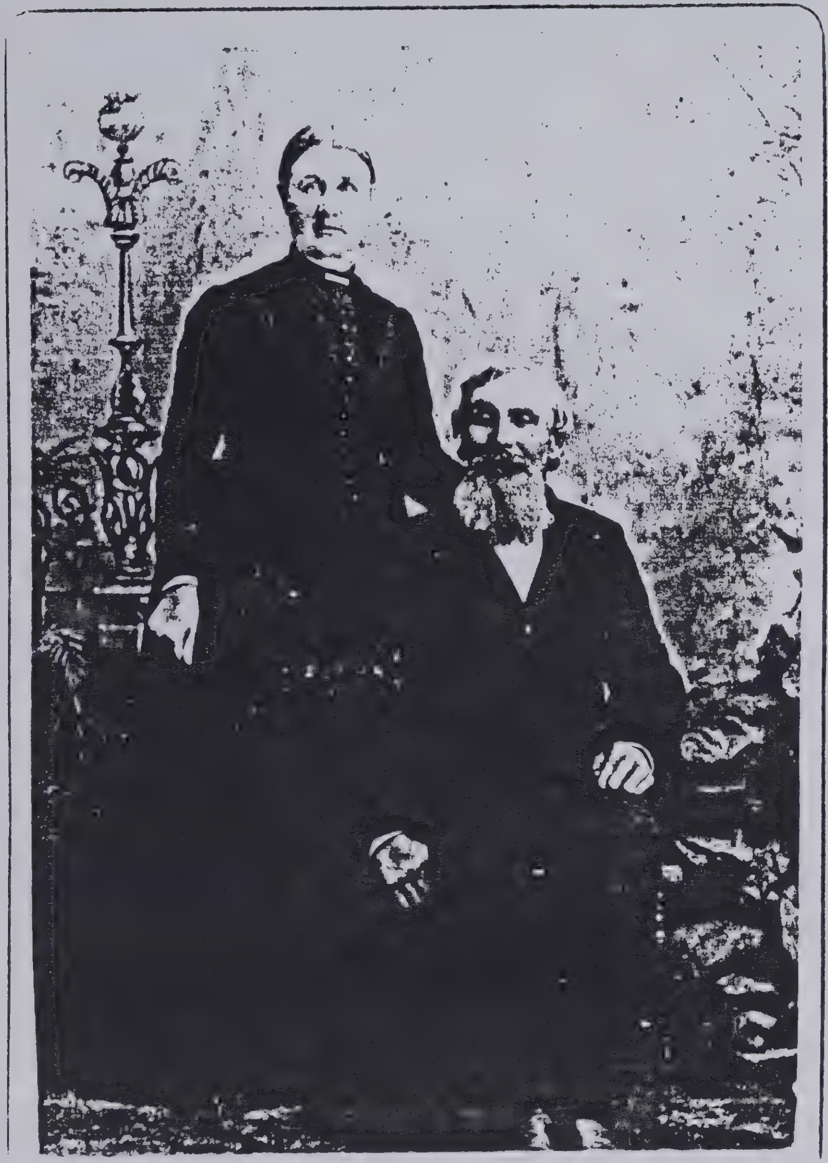
THE ROCKWELL BROTHERS,
SONS OF JOEL AND MARGARET ROCKWELL

Left to Right: John Handy, George W., Calvin Luther, and Isacc Rockwell

THE MAIN STREET IN HOMER, NEBRASKA
DECEMBER 1907

The farms of George W. and John Handy Rockwell were over the hill at the end of the street.





Betty Widner Rockwell & George W. Rockwell
1842 - 1907   1836 - 1917
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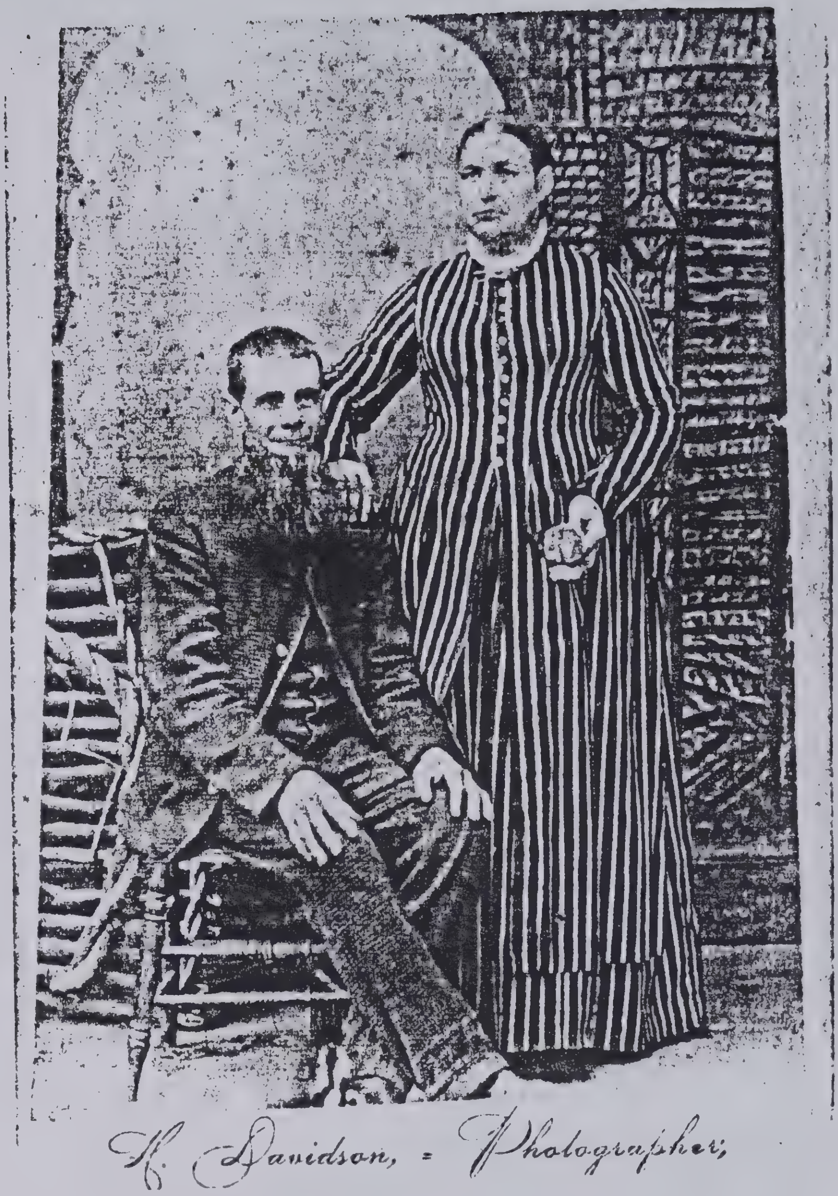
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Isaac Rockwell & Elizabeth Pugh Rockwell
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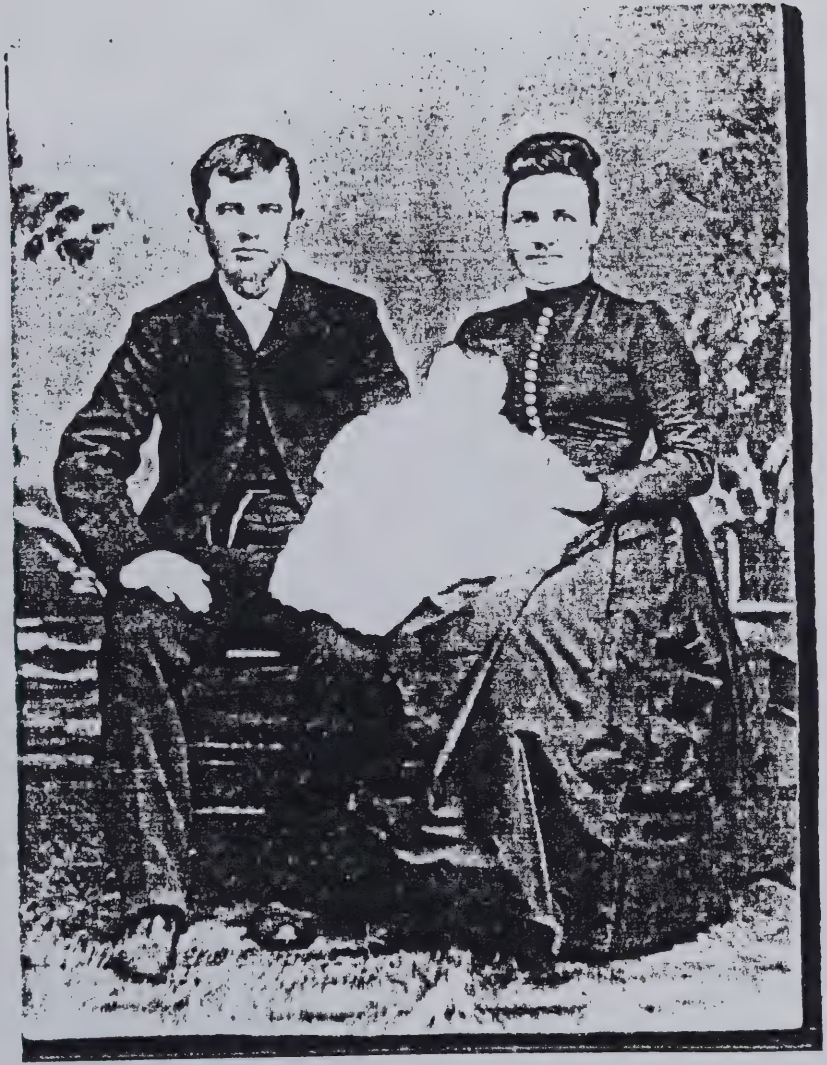

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George Amos Bruce 1888 - 1955

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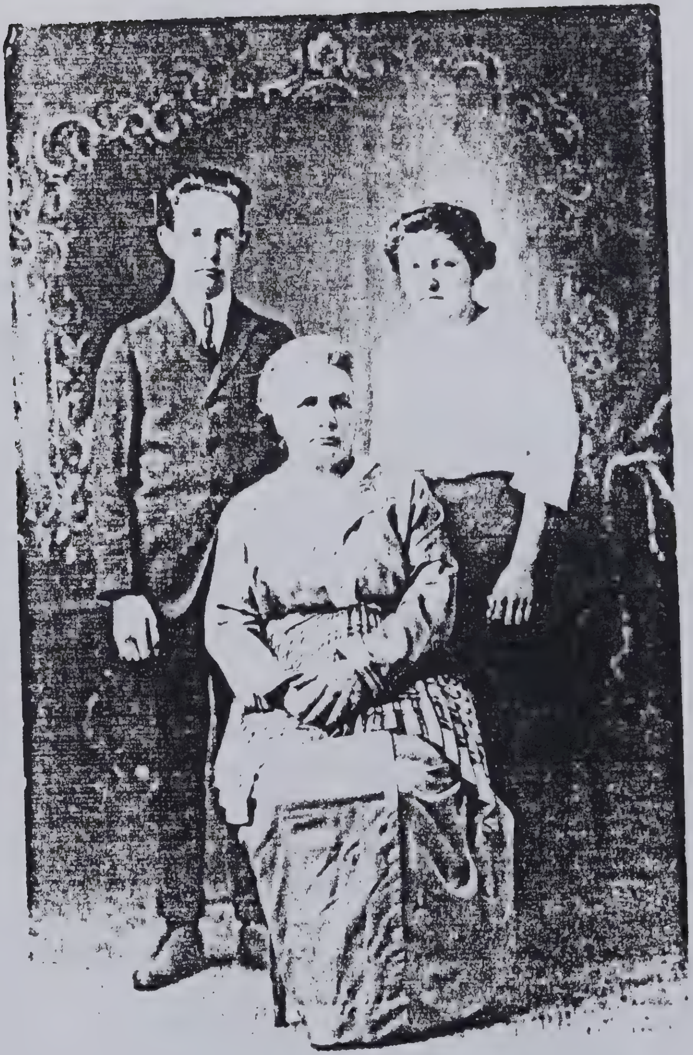

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Ella Rockwell Bruce 1862 - 1946

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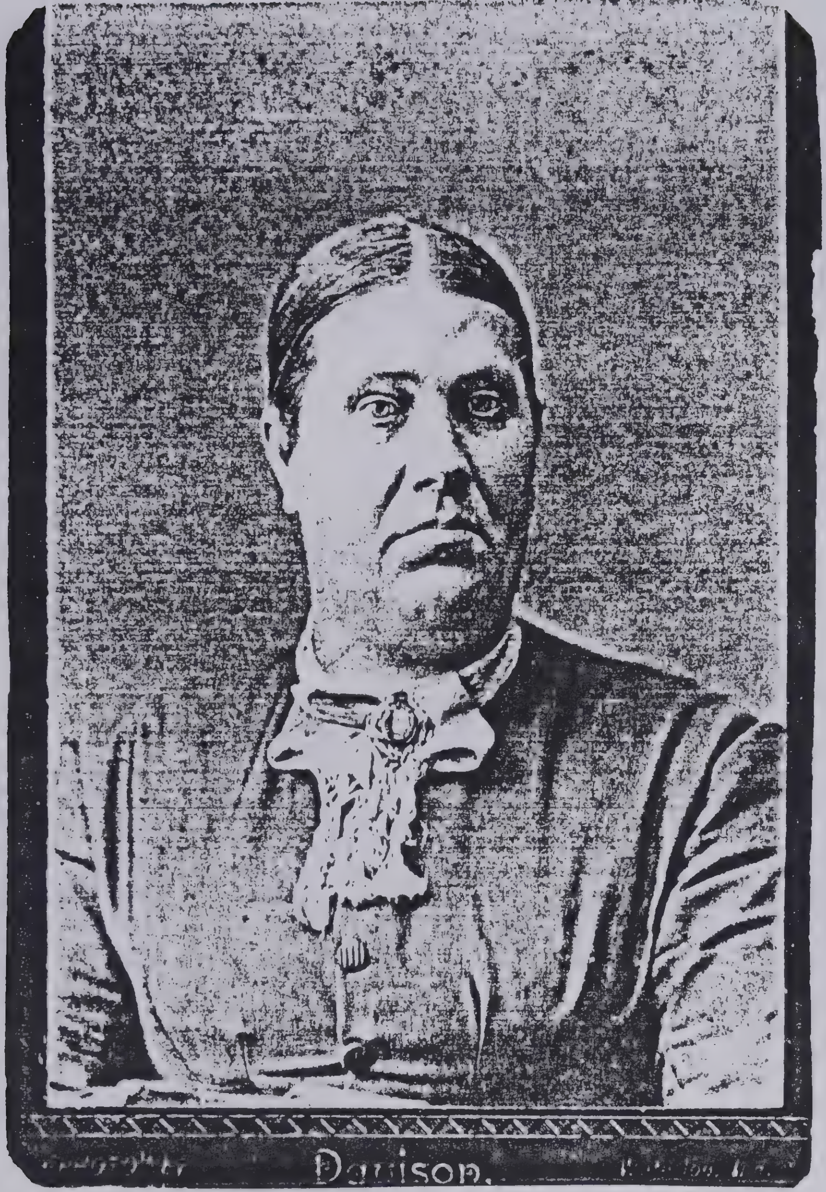

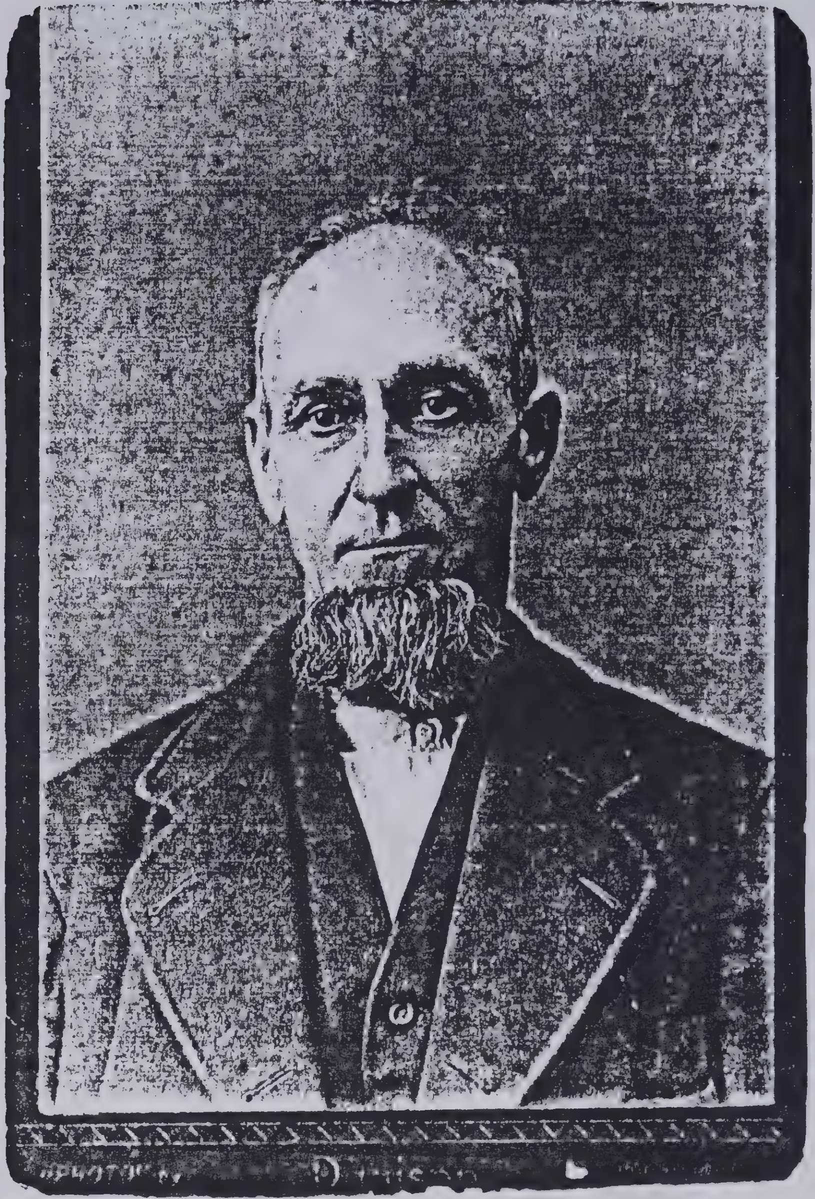

Elizabeth Pugh Rockwell
- 1912

and her husband

Isaac Rockwell
1841 - 1916

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A ROCKWELL FAMILY REUNION
about 1913

John G. Rockwell - shorter man, standiing. pg 109
Forrest P. Rockwell - light hair, standing, rear row. pg 109

Stephen M. Rockwell - black beard, seated on the grass, holding hat. pg 97

Malinda Barnhart Rockwell - with hand on chair of John H. Rockwell. pg136
John Edward Munger - standing rear row with dark suspenders. pg 188
John Handy Rockwell - seated in chair with white mustache. pg 123
Linnie Fay Rockwell Shook - standing rear row next to Edward Munger. pg 193

Florence Rockwell Munger - standing rear row next to Linnie. 188
Helen E. Rockwell - standing, 2nd row in front of Florence Munger. pg 109
George W. Rockwell - seated in chair with white beard. pg 108
Leo Munger - child seated on grass with hand to his face. pg 189

Calvin Luther Rockwell - seated in chair with coat in his lap. pg 113

Beatrice Munger North, Irene Munger Potter, Bertha Munger Caldwell - from right to left, three little girls sitting on the grass. pg 189

Julia Johnson Rockwell - 2nd row, her head between the man and women in the back row. pg 109

William H. Rockwell - dark suit, seated just behind two children sitting on the grass. pg 110

George R. Rockwell - back row, 3rd man from the left in black suit coat. pg 109

Louis V. Rockwell - 1st man in 2nd row, holding his hat, white shirt. pg 109

The identifications shown above are the "best guess" by several currant family members. It is regrettable that we can not identify many of the other relatives in this photo.

This photograph was provided to the author in 1980 by the Raymond Francis Smith family, pg 97.

NOTES

OUR ELEVENTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

JOHN HANDY ROCKWELL AND MALINDA BARNHART

John Handy Rockwell was born on the 9th of August, 1845 on the family farm in Union Township, DeKalb County, Indiana. John was the 5th child of Joel Rockwell and Margaret Trout Rockwell.

When John was 4 years old, his father died leaving his mother a widow with 6 children under the age of 13. His father's early death left the family in dire financial straits and his mother had to rely on her brother, George Trout, and other Rockwell family members for support. His mother remarried to Daniel Dirr, a close neighbor who's wife had died about the same time as John's father. From what we can learn about John's childhood, it was anything but pleasant. His mother and step-father were financially unable to support all the children and they frequently found themselves living with relatives or neighbors. Fifteen year old John could not be located in the 1860 Census in DeKalb county and he may have been "apprenticed out" to learn a trade, or living somewhere outside the County. He evidently did however receive some schooling for he could read and write.

Incidentally, John was often addressed by close friends and relatives as "Uncle Hand" or "Handy", using his middle name as opposed to "John Rockwell".

THE CIVIL WAR

In 1860 the seeds of the Civil War were germinating, and on the 12th of April, 1861, burst into full flame when the Confederates fired on Fort Sumpter. On the 15th of April, President Abraham Lincoln made his first call to the States for troops.

In and around the Indiana countryside, newspapers called for the preservation of the Union and appealed to the patriotism of the men to answer the call to arms. Young men who's life had consisted mainly of hard work on the family farm were quickly intoxicated with dreams of glory, excitement and adventure. For many of them it would be their first opportunity to travel more than 10 miles from the family homestead! Young men and old were swept up in the excitement, enlisted, and marched away with the hope that the War would not end before they had a chance to see action.

The 30th Regiment of Indiana Infantry was organized in the vicinity of decal County and was mustered into Federal Service in September, 1861. On the 6th and 7th of April, 1862, the Regiment was badly "shot-up" in its first full fledged battle. Suprised by the Confederates at Shiloh, the Regiment lost its Colonel and many men killed and wounded. The Regiment was again engaged at Chattanooga and Chicamaunga and again lost heavily. Their strength was further depleted by sickness and disease. Their ranks were made up mostly of "farm boys" who had not been subjected to the illness that "city boys" had been in contact with, and had subsequently built up an immunity. Consequently, many "farm boys" died of disease and never saw combat!

To offset it's losses, the Regiment sent an Officer and several men back to Indiana to recruit replacements. John walked over to Waterloo and talked with the recruiters. Indiana offered a $100 bonus for enlistees and an additional $300 bounty as an encouragement to enlist. $400 was more than 17 year old John had ever seen before and was as much cash as many men earned in a full year of hard work. Needless to say, on the 1st of December, 1863, John Rockwell became a Private in Company H, 30th Indiana Volunteer Infantry. His original enlistment records state: "Age 17, Eyes blue, Hair auburn, Height 5' 8", Complexion light". Almost all of the men in Company H were from DeKalb County, so John joined a unit where he knew many of the men he was to serve with.

John received his "basic training", such as it was, near Tyner's Station in southern Tennessee. The Union Army moved south into Georgia for their thrust to capture Atlanta. John received his "baptism of fire" at Tunnel Hill on May 7th, 1864. Tunnel Hill was a steep ridge about 7 miles southeast of Ringgold, Georgia, about 20 miles southeast of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Tunnel Hill got its name from a railroad tunnel cut through the ridge. At sunrise the Union Army broke camp and moved across the gently rolling countryside in a strong line of battle that stretched several miles in length. The morning sunlight glistened off the polished rifle barrels and brass belt buckles as they advanced toward the Confederate held ridge. By 7 o'clock the skirmishers began to run into Confederate advanced cavalry patrols. Within the next hour the occasional rifle shots had become a continuous rattle. Gray clad cavalry and infantry could be seen darting across the fields withdrawing up the ridge to the crest. White puffs of smoke dotted the landscape and artillery added its boom to the noise. By 9 o'clock the ridge line of Tunnel Hill bristled with cannon and riflemen, blanketed in white gunsmoke.

The long blue line move steadily forward. The pace quickened. Officers shouted orders. The roar of rifle and cannon fire increased. The Union line broke into a run. Men yelled and casualties dropped out of ranks. In one last up-hill sprint, the Yankees gained the crest of Tunnel Hill.

At the last minute, the Confederates had withdrawn and could be seen retreating down the opposite slope into the valley. In their haste to withdraw, the Confederates had failed to destroy the tunnel and the railroad resupply link for the advancing Union Army was intact!

In the distance loomed Taylor's Ridge, the site of tomorrow's assault. Beyond Taylor's Ridge lay Dalton, beyond Dalton lay Buzzard's Roost Gap, Resaca, New Hope Church and Allatoona Hills - one assault after another, day after day. Mile by mile, fighting all the way, the Union Army advanced southward toward Atlanta. Pine Hill, Lost Mountain, the bloody repulse on the slopes of Kenesaw Mountain on June 27th, Peach Tree Creek on July 19th and 20th, and finally, on the 1st of September, the Battle of Jonesboro, south of Atlanta. At Jonesboro, the 30th Indiana was part of the Union assault on the right of the "U" shaped Confederate trenches, and resulted in severe hand-to-hand combat with bayonets and riflebutts. Many of the Confederates were taken prisoner, and the Confederates withdrew, opening the defenses of Atlanta. Atlanta surrendered on the 2nd of September and the Union Army took off after the retreating General Hood.

John almost never talked about the War with his family. Those things he did mention never pertained to combat. The grim reality of warfare had forever branded his memory with sights and sounds he did not wish to recall or discuss.

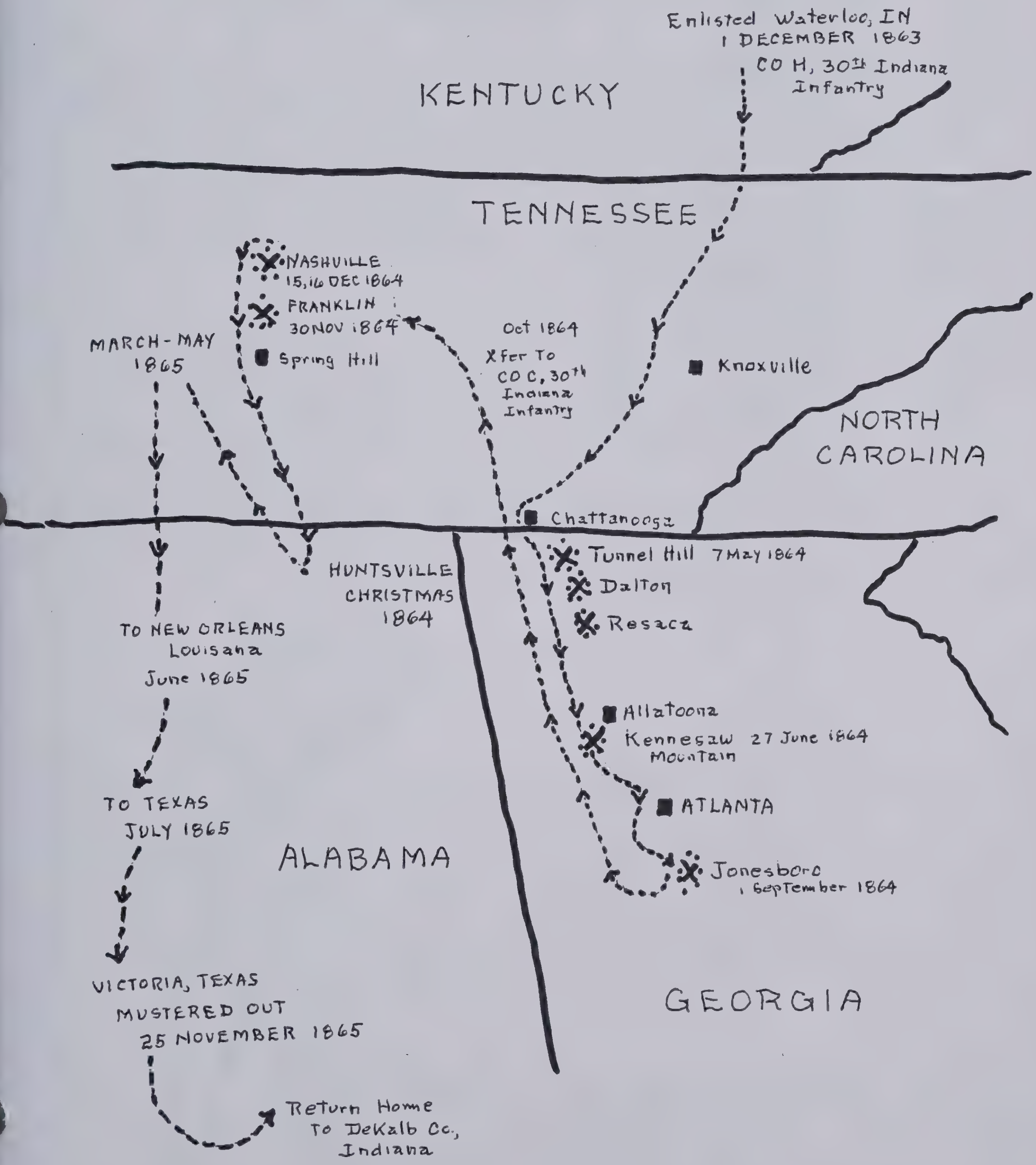
John did mention eating hard-tack, the Army substitute for bread. Even when it was crawling with weevils, something was better than nothing! The troop movements during this campaign were too fast for the rations trains to keep up. Soldiers were often forced to eat what they could find, wherever they could find it. Even "sow-belly" complete with maggots would , at least, fill an empty stomach.

During the advance toward Atlanta, John and his friends broke ranks one day and stopped at a small rural store built 3' off the ground on pilings. While dickering with the shop keeper, they noticed several barrels of whiskey sitting on the floor. As they left the store, they thought about how good that whiskey would taste, and how broke they all were. That night, they camped several miles down the road and stole back to the store, equipped with an auger drill and several pails. Crawling under the store, they drilled upward through the floor attempting to hit one of the whiskey barrels. For an hour they drilled, but never hit that golden stream of free whiskey. "Drilled that darn floor full of holes and never hit a barrel", lamented John in later years. The store owner was familiar with the ways of soldiers; he has set the whiskey barrels up on a table when he locked up for the night!

By October, the strength of the Regiment, even with replacements like John, was so reduced in size that it was reorganized into a Battalion of 7 Companys, down from the original Regimental size of 10 Companys. John was transferred from the disbanded Company H, to the reformed Company C.

PRIVATE JOHN ROCKWELL AND THE 30TH REGIMENT OF INDIANA INFANTRY

1 December, 1863 to 25 November, 1865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1 DECEMBER 1863
CO H, 30th Indiana Infantry
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NORTH CAROLINA
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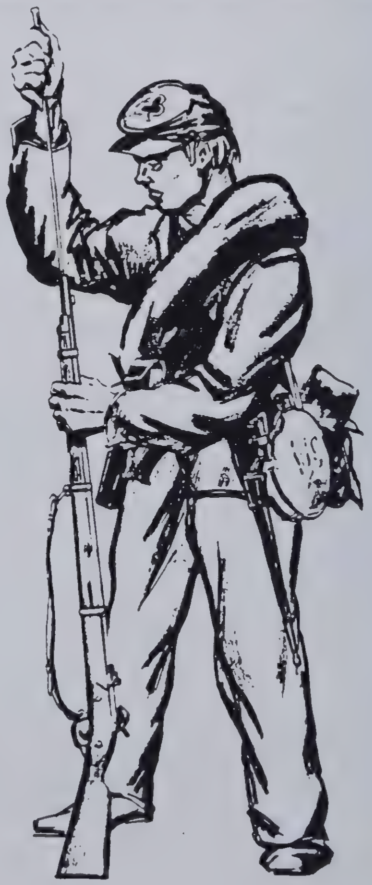
ATLANTA
TO TEXAS JULY 1865
ALABAMA
Jonesboro 1 September 1864
VICTORIA, TEXAS
MUSTERED OUT
25 NOVEMBER 1865
GEORGIA
Return Home To DeKalb Co., Indiana

Upon the fall of Atlanta, a Confederate Army under General Hood, struck back toward the north west through Georgia and into northern Alabama and into central Tennesssee. The 30th Indiana's Corps was split off to counter Hood's attack while General Sherman and the balance of the Union Army continued it's "March to the Sea" through Georgia. The 30th was engaged at Franklin, Tennessee on Nov 30th and in the Battle of Nashville on Dec 15 & 16, 1864, where they defeated the Confederates. They then pursued the retreating Rebels down to the Tennessee River into northern Alabama. By Christmas. 1964. John was in Huntsville, Alabama for several months to rest and recuperate..

They served in "mop-up" operations in eastern Tennessee from March until May. 1865. After a rest period in Nashville. their 4th Corps was assigned for duty in Texas. Lee had surrendered in April. but there were still a few isolated commands and posts that had to be confronted and occupied. The last Confederates surrendered on 26 May, 1865. June found the Battalion in New Orleans, and by July they were part of Sheridan's Army of Occupation in Texas. It was here that the men made some of their longest and hardest marches. They often shot cattle for food and John mentioned that he once got into trouble for shooting, or shooting at an Indian. John's military career ended on the 25th of November. 1865 when he was mustered out of service at Victoria, Texas, about 100 miles north of Corpus Christi. He and the other returning veterans then commenced the long journey back home to Indiana, by foot and by rail when they finally got to a railroad line.

The 30th Indiana Regiment entered Federal service with 50 Officers and 961 Enlisted men, and during the War, recruited 148 replacements, one of which was John Rockwell. 4 Officers and 133 Enlisted were killed in action or died of wounds. 1 Officer and 274 Enlisted died of disease, most of them being the "farm boys" who had no developed resistance to many of the illnesses. 69 men were carried as "deserted" and 77 were listed as "missing in action", some of whom were probably taken prisoner. It is known that 22 men died of disease in the infamous Confederate Andersonville Prison alone. A quick calculation will show that for every 10 men who left Indiana, only about 6 returned home! Of the 6 who returned. at least 1 was crippled from wounds or broken in health for the rest of their lives. Hardly a family in DeKalb County escaped the loss of a father. son or other close relative. John once stated that he had been hit in the arm. but did not amplify the remark. If he meant he had been wounded, it was not serious enough to be entered in the official records.



To load: A cartridge was taken from the case. and the powder end torn open with the teeth. The powder was emptied down the barrel and the bullet pressed down with the thumb. The ramrod was then withdrawn from under the rifle barrel, the cup-shaped end pressed down on top of the bullet, and the bullet rammed firmly home till it seated on the powder. The ramrod was returned, the hammer pulled back to the half cock, and a percussion cap taken from the cap box and pressed over the nipple. When ready to fire, the hammer was pulled back to full cock.

Black powder fouls badly. Theoretically, the bullet expanded in the bore and scoured out the soot and clinkers left over from the preceding shot. In practice, loading became more difficult and accuracy fell off.

HOW PRIVATE JOHN ROCKWELL LOADED
HIS RIFLED MUSKET

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 2, 1915.*

SIR: Please answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below. The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your widow or children. Use the inclos envelope, which requires no stamp.

Very respectfully,

G M Saltzgaber

JOHN H. ROCKWELL,
HOMER, NEBR.
866246

No. 1. Date and place of birth? *Answer.* Born aug 9. 1845. Dekalb Co, Indiana

The name of organizations in which you served? *Answer.* Co. C. 30 Regiment Indiana volunteers

No. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? *Answer.* Waterloo Ind

No. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. *Answer.* Malinda Barnhart

No. 4. When, where, and by whom were you married? *Answer.* October 27: 1867: In Dekalb Co. Ind. by George Wool Justice of the peace

No. 5. Is there any official or church record of your marriage? No church Record

If so, where? *Answer* There is a county record at auburn Ind

No. 6. Were you previously m ate the name of your former wife, the date of the marriage, and the date and place of her death or divorce. If ther than one previous marriage, let your answer include all former wives. *Answer.*

No previous marrige

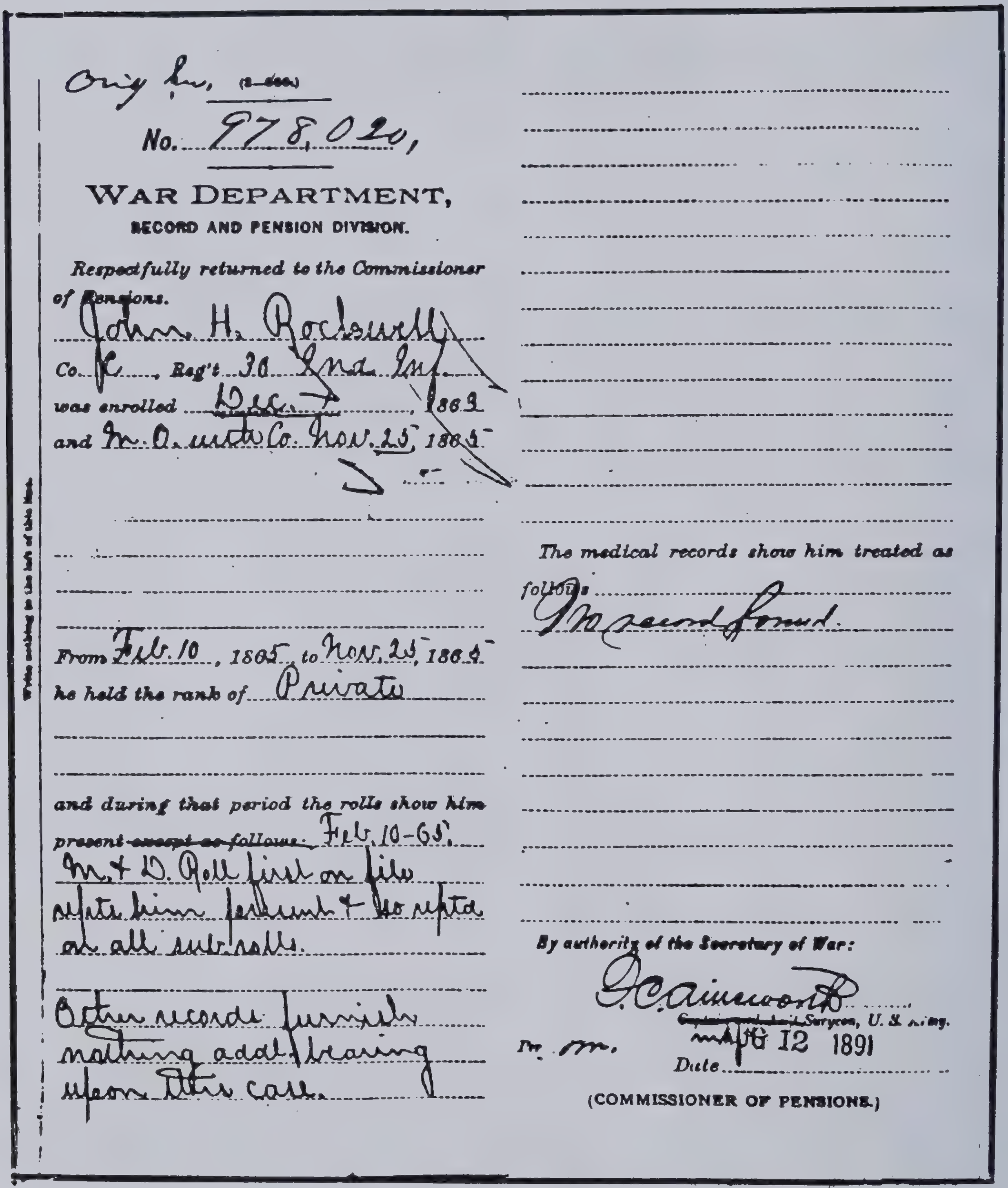
No. 7. If your present wife was married before her marriage to you, state the name of her former husband, the date of such marriage, and the date and place of his death or divorce, and state whether he ever rendered any military or naval service, and, if so, give name of the organization in which he served. If she was married more than once before her marriage to you, let your answer include all former husbands. *Answer.*

No previous marriage

No. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? *Answer.* Still living with her

No. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. *Answer.* Emma born october the 27: 1868: George Edward: July the 4: 1870: Daniel H: September the 5: 1874: Florence Dec 6: 1883: Jinnie F. July 21. 1889.
All living

Date March 8 1915 127. (Signature) John H. Rockwell



Orig. Inv., (2 sheets)

No. 978,020,

WAR DEPARTMENT,

RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

John H. Rockwell

Co. C, *Reg't* 30 Ind. Inf.

was enrolled Dec. 7, 1863

and M. O. with Co. Nov. 25, 1865

From Feb. 10, 1865, *to* Nov. 25, 1865

he held the rank of Private

and during that period the rolls show him present ~~*except as follows:*~~ Feb. 10-65.
M. & D. Roll first on file
rpts him present & so rpts
on all sub. rolls.

Other records furnish
nothing add'l bearing
upon this case.

The medical records show him treated as follows:
No record found.

By authority of the Secretary of War:

F. C. Ainsworth
~~*Captain and Ass't*~~ *Surgeon, U. S. Army.*

Pr. m.

Date ~~May~~ AUG 12 1891

(COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.)

John's application, dated March 8th, 1915, for his pension from his Civil War service is shown on the previous page. The War Department had previously reviewed all their records for his service and wrote the report shown above. "M. O. with Co. Nov 25 1865", means Mustered Out; he was discharged. The "M & D Roll" referred to near the bottom of the form, are Muster Rolls which were prepared every month or so and gave the status of each of the persons assigned to the Company. They were also used for payroll purposes, and in John's case, showed him present for duty during the period he was assigned to the reorganized Company C. Note: John apparently never went on "Sick Call" because there were no medical records found on file.

AFTER THE WAR

John returned home to DeKalb County with the other veterans and attempted to put their lives back together. A depression hit the country at the end of the War and already poor farmers were even poorer.

One night John took one of the local belles to a barn dance about 7 miles from Union Town. After a few hours dancing, this delicate Indiana flower demurely commented: "John, we better go out back. I gotta go so bad, I could pee a stream as wide as a cross-cut saw from here to Union Town!"

Later, John started courting Malinda Barnhart, a neighbor to the south of the Rockwells. They were married by George Woolf, a Justice of the Peace on 27 October, 1867. The marriage was performed in Auburn and is recorded on page 131 of DeKalb County Marriages.

HOMESTEADING IN DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA

In 1865 the Union Pacific and other railroads sent pamphlets to all the towns through the mid-west extolling the virtues of Nebraska farm lands. Advertisements such as these caused a keen interest in western land, and from 1860 - 1870 the population of Nebraska increased 400% with the influx of over 100,000 settlers.

John's Uncle Stephen Rockwell was already living in Dakota County, Nebraska and probably influenced other members of the family to come West. John and his brother, Calvin discussed the matter and in the early winter of 1867 made preparations for the westward journey.

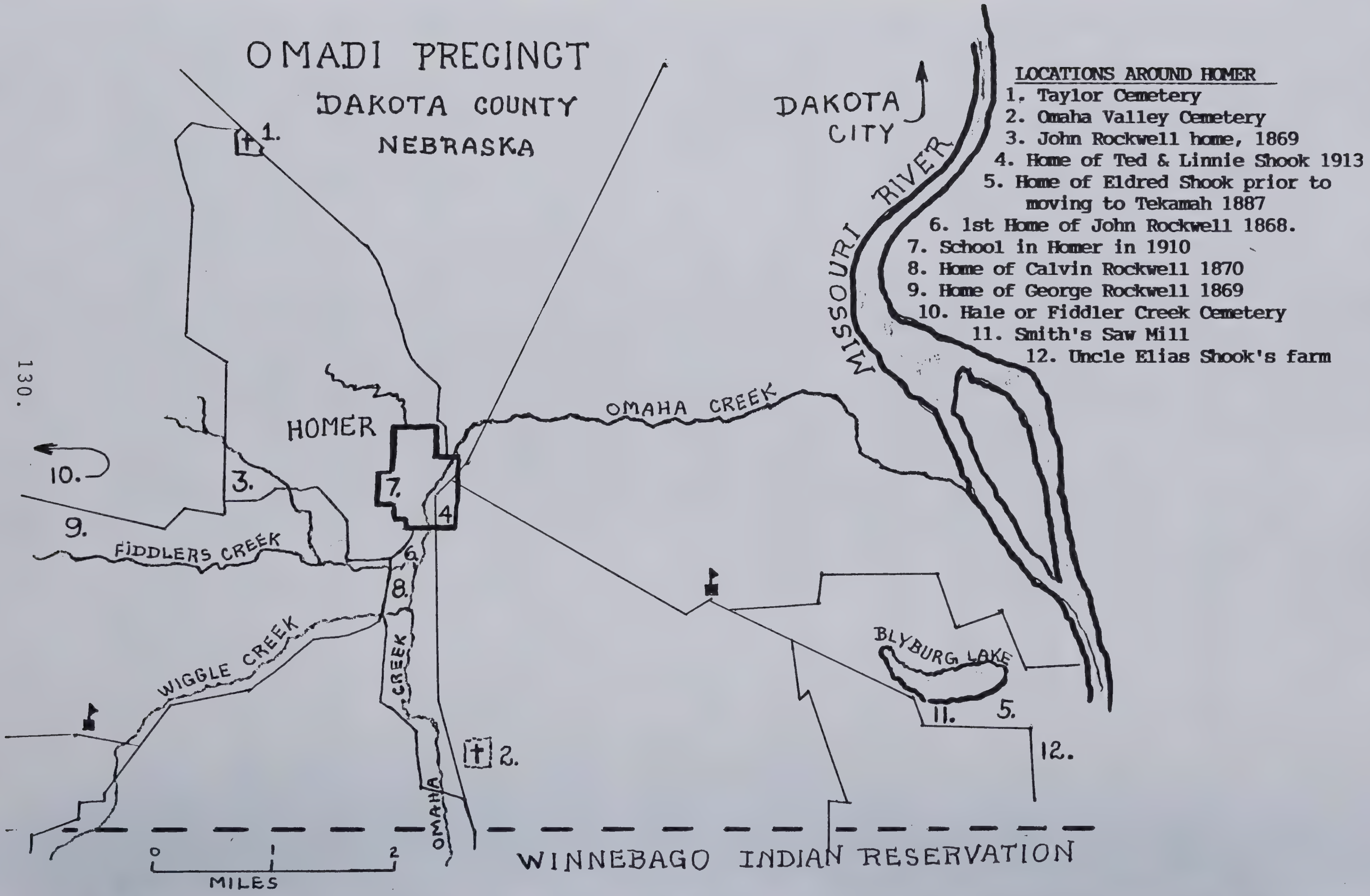
John, Malinda, and Calvin, left Indiana by train and arrived at the end of the tracks on the east side of the Missouri River at Sergeants Bluff, Iowa, on the 28th of January, 1868. There was no bridge across the Missouri and they gathered up their few belongings and walked across the ice to the Nebraska side of the "Big Muddy".

A man by the name of Smith ran a saw mill near Blyburg, Dakota County. This Mr. Smith, it would turn out in later years, was the father of Ted Shook's step father. At that time the area between Homer and the river was densely wooded and Smith was busily engaged in cutting wood for the many new homes and barns being built. Mr. Smith hired both John and Malinda; John to work in the mill, and Malinda to cook for the mill hands. The young couple lived at the mill and saved their money. After several years they bought a homestead and John felt he could give up his job at the mill and make a go of farming.

About 1869, John purchased a farm of about 150 acres on the west side of Homer, just over the hill out of town. They planted a big orchard of apple and cherry trees with a mulberry windbreak around the orchard.

Their first home was made of vertical board and batten planks, unplastered on the Inside. It consisted of one room, one door, and a single 2 foot square window. The floor was plank and cooking and heating was from an iron stove. The next few years were nothing but hard work providing for their growing family, and, at the same time, trying to improve the farm. Both John and Malinda took turns plowing and cultivating their fields and garden. Horses were too expensive for these young homesteaders and all the work was done by teams of oxen.

John and his brother, Calvin, made extra money by thrashing for their neighbors. With each passing year their fortunes improved. A larger home was built about 1872. This new home was a frame house with 2 bedrooms upstairs, 2 bedrooms downstairs, a living room and a kitchen. A summer kitchen-pantry was added later. Bathroom facilities consisted of an outside "outhouse" and was provided by a well and handpump outside the kitchen door. A cistern was dug to provide a storage place for rain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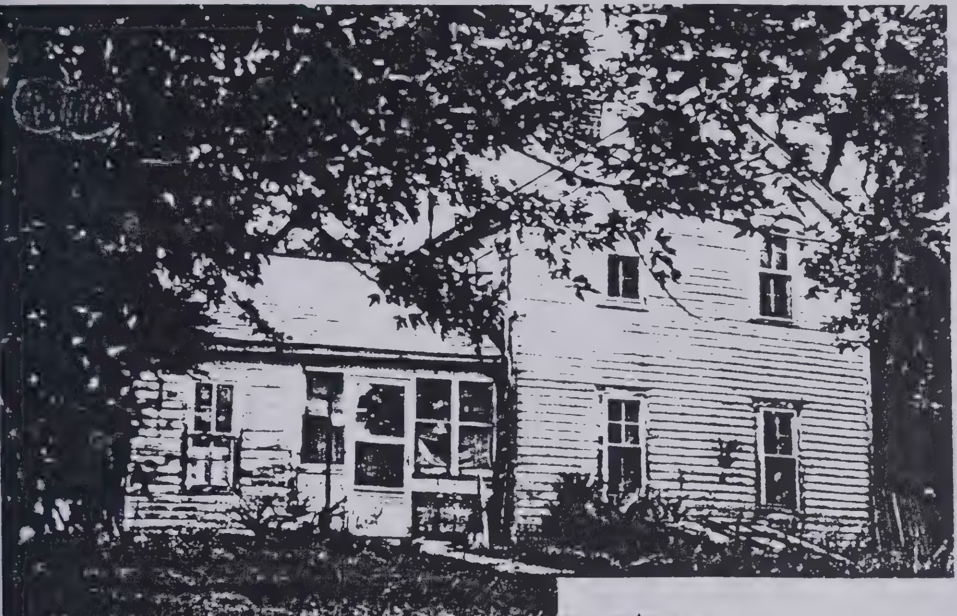
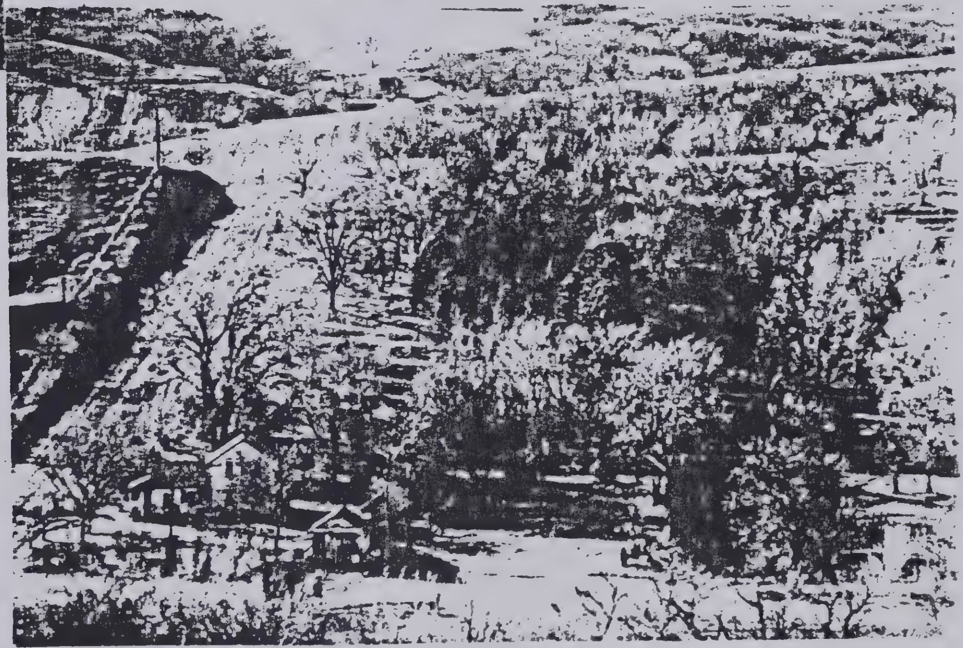
LOCATIONS AROUND HOMER

1. Taylor Cemetery
2. Omaha Valley Cemetery
3. John Rockwell home, 1869
4. Home of Ted & Linnie Shook 1913
5. Home of Eldred Shook prior to moving to Tekamah 1887
6. 1st Home of John Rockwell 1868.
7. School in Homer in 1910
8. Home of Calvin Rockwell 1870
9. Home of George Rockwell 1869
10. Hale or Fiddler Creek Cemetery
11. Smith's Saw Mill
12. Uncle Elias Shook's farm

THE JOHN H. ROCKWELL HOMESTEAD AS IT APPEARED IN 1986
WEST OF HOMER, NEBRASKA



THE FARMHOUSE



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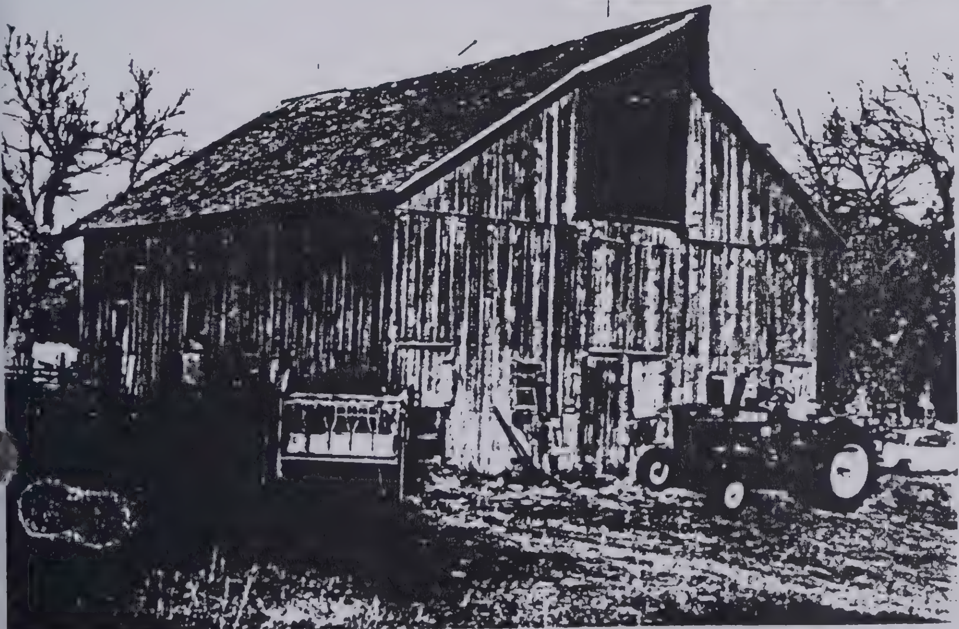
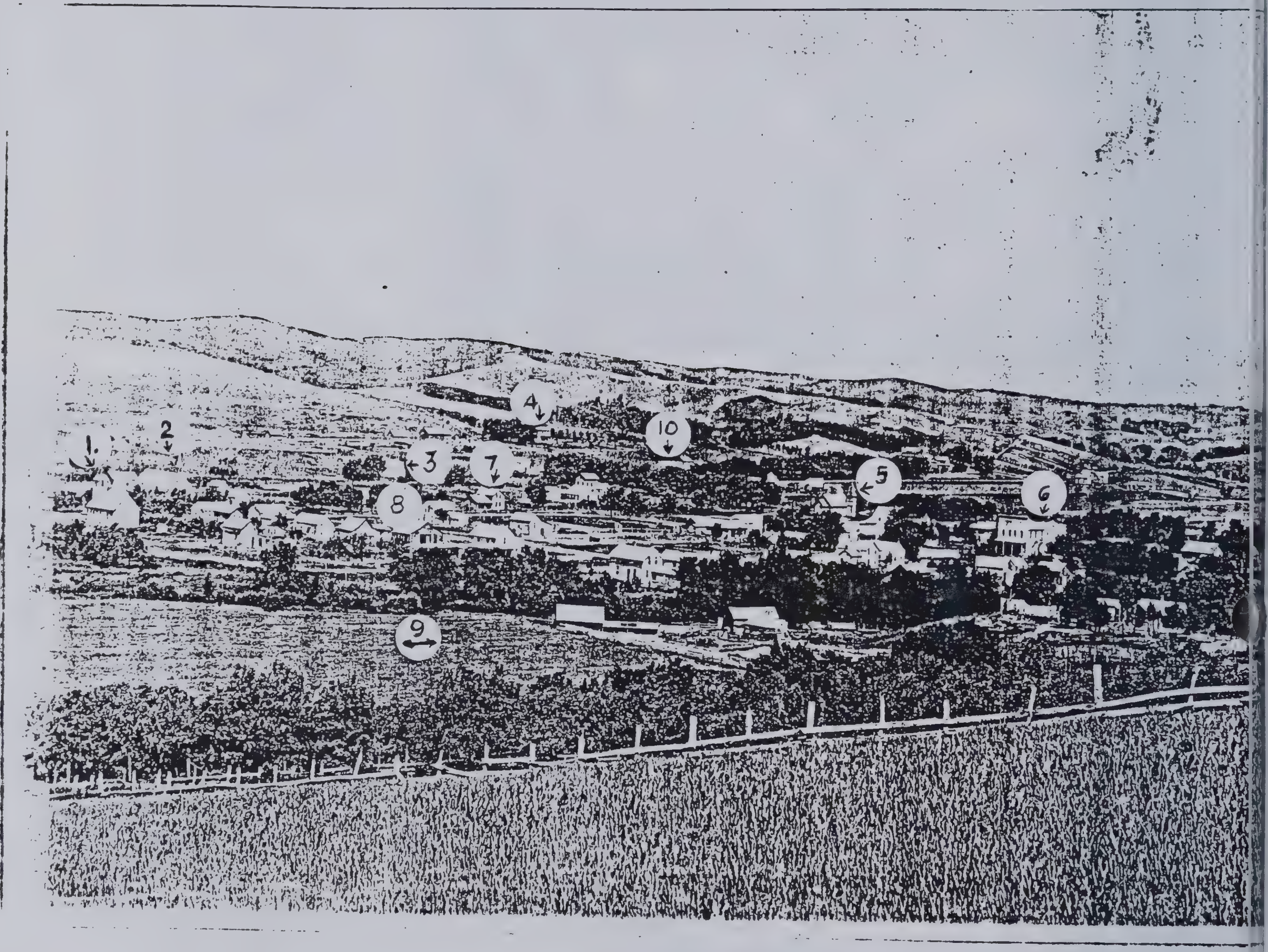


THE BARN

HOMER, NEBRASKA

THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN BETWEEN THE YEARS 1890 AND 1900



1. Danish Lutheran Church (St. Peters), built in 1889, destroyed in the 1940 flood.
2. Methodist Church built in 1884, and moved after the 1940 flood.
3. Homer School House - replaced by a new brick school in 1906.
4. J. C. O'Conner residence which was later used as Homer's hospital.
5. English Lutheran Church - destroyed in the 1940 flood.
6. Edward's and Bradford Hardware store - destroyed in 1912 fire.
7. Home torn down c1990 - last owned by Biede family.
8. Site of the future Hans Andersen home.
9. Site of the future railroad tracks which were built in 1906-1907.
10. Dr. Stidworthy's home.

water to buffer the droughts. All 5 of their children were born on the homestead; Emma and Edward in the old one room house, and Daniel, Florence and Linnie in the 4 bedroom house.

THE MOVE INTO THE TOWN OF HOMER, NEBRASKA

About 1896, John and Malinda decided to give up the homestead and move into Homer. John was over 50 years old and the rigors of a large farm were getting to be too much for him. Their home in Homer was on the east side of town on a high rise of ground. They had 4 or 5 acres of land which was used for a garden and pasturage for their cow and team of horses. The Rockwells joined the Methodist Church after moving to town where the tempo of life was slower and Sundays could actually be a "day of rest".

An old family story tells about the day that John went to town and had a little too much to drink. When he came home, Malinda asked him to chop some firewood so she could cook diner. Instead of cutting the wood as requested, John laid down in the barn and took a nap. Malinda went ahead and put the dinner on the table and called John. It was a complete and well prepared meal except for one small thing - all the food was RAW and UNCOOKED - "No firewood - no cooking!"

Entertainment was limited and usually consisted of "get-togethers" at neighbor's homes. The men usually sat together and played cards while the women talked over the neighborhood gossip. The children ran around and amused themselves, getting into as little trouble as possible. Transportation to and from the parties was usually by horse and buggy, and in the wintertime, when most of these gatherings were held, an ample supply of fur blankets was needed.

Homer was often flooded in the early days and when danger approached, John moved his family to the hills west of town. Only once did the flood waters reach their home on its knoll, and that time little damage was done.

John's son, Daniel, took over the homestead when John and Malinda moved into town. Daniel later moved to Pender, NE, and John's other son, Edward, took over from Daniel. Edward later bought his own farm on Fiddlers Creek, and Daniel returned to take over the homestead. Daniel later moved to Agate, Colorado and John sold the farm to a Dane by the name of Erickson.

THE MOVE "BACK EAST" TO ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK

John and Malinda's daughters, Florence and Linnie, had married and they and their husbands were looking for farms of their own. They soon found that land values in Nebraska were very high priced, but surpassingly, land values "Back East" were much cheaper. They all discussed the possibility of moving to western New York State and jointly purchasing a farm. John and Malinda decided that they would join their daughters and sons-in-law, Florence and Ed Munger, and Linnie and Ted Shook, and all move together. They selected a 200 acre farm on Lennox Road, just off Jennings Road in the Town of Collins, Erie County, New York. Their new 14 room home was about 27 miles south of Buffalo and was purchased for $4,500 on 1 March, 1916. They sold their property in Homer, and on the 26th of February, 1916, Ted Shook left Homer in an "emigrant car" (railroad box car), with the family belongings, 2 mules and a horse. The others followed by rail also, but in a coach car.

The farm prospered with all 6 of the adults working together. In a few years they had 18 head of cattle, one of which was a strong willed bull. One evening they sat down for dinner, but John didn't come in from the barn where he had been working in the afternoon. Malinda went to the kitchen door and called out to John to come in for supper, but got no answer. Ted Shook went out to the barn and was surprised to find the ornery bull had gotten loose from his stall and had chased John up the ladder into the hay mow and John was not able to climb down until the family got ole cantankerous back into his stall!

Across the road from the house was a woods consisting mostly of maple trees. In the spring they tapped the maples, boiled down the sap in pots out in the woods, and made maple syurp. After a few years, Ed and Florence Munger left the farm and moved to Lackawanna, a southern suburb of Buffalo, where they found steady employment.

A family story relates that just before the United States entered the First World War, John was in town sitting around and talking with some of the other men and discussing the world's problems. One of the men, a German born fella, stated that in his opinion, Americans would not make good soldiers. "Americans should get into the War and learn what REAL soldiering was all about!", stated the German. John jumped up and said, "This is what soldering is all about you German SOB!", and punched him in the nose!

With the shortage of help during the First World War, the farm proved too large for John and Malinda, and Ted and Linnie to run economically. On the 26th of November, 1919 they sold the farm for $18,000. On the 10th of January, 1920, John and Malinda bought one 10 acre farm, and Ted and Linnie bought the 57 acre farm next door on New Jerusalem Road in the Town of Eden, Erie County, New York. Their new homes were about 10 miles north of the Lennox Road farm. These homes were the first that either family lived in with INDOOR PLUMBING!

Late in 1930, Malinda had a stroke, and after 13 weeks, died on the 12th of February, 1931 at their home on New Jerusalem Road. John then sold his farm on the 17th of December, 1931, to Dr. Green, and moved next door and lived with his daughter, Linnie Shook.

John was one of the oldest surviving Civil War veterans in Erie County, and was always asked to ride as a guest of honor in the Memorial Day parade in Eden. While his health was good, he always attended the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and greatly enjoyed getting together with other veterans at the encampments. When John enlisted, he had auburn hair, but he turned gray early in life and had almost white hair when he was middle aged. John was not a "teetotaler" and enjoyed a drink with the men, but seldom in excess. In later years he seldom drank. He is remembered as being strict, stern, and rather quiet. He seldom saw the funny side of anything, but took the realistic and tolerant approach to most events. The children learned very early that when father spoke, instant response was expected. Overall, John was a typical husband and father of that generation; self motivated, very hard working, non-emotional, and dedicated totally to the support of his family and his country.

John's health deteriorated and he again joined his legion of former comrades in arms on the 31st of May, 1935, the day after Memorial Day. John and Malinda are buried side-by-side in the Eden Cemetery on West Church Street in Eden, New York under the stately pine trees.

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MALINDA BARNHART ROCKWELL

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MALINDA BARNHART ROCKWELL

Malinda Barnhart, the 7th child and 2nd daughter of John G. and Eliza Slentz Barnhart, was born 4 September, 1849 in Union Township, DeKalb County, Indiana. Her parents home was a two room log cabin with a stone fireplace in which she and her 12 brothers and sisters were raised. Malinda evidently could not be spared from the family farm to attend many years of school, and though she is shown on a school class list dated November, 1862, (see page 146), her daughter, Linnie remembers that she spent a fair amount of time teaching herself how to read when they were living in Nebraska. Her efforts, however did not extend into writing for she could write little more than her name.

Malinda is remembered to have been able to speak some German and always claimed that her family was "Pennsylvania-Dutch", a claim which has proven to be true.

On the 17th of October, 1867, she married John Handy Rockwell who li8ved several miles to the north of the Barnhart home. John and Malinda had probably known each other since childhood and may have gone to school together. The wedding was performed by Mr George Woolf, a Justice of the Peace in Auburn, Indiana. Two months after they were married, they gathered up their few belongings and joined other members of the Rockwell family in Dakota County, Nebraska.

John worked at the Smith's saw mill in Blyburg and Malinda was employed to cook for the mill hands. They saved their money and purchased their homestead farm over the hill, west of Homer. It is interesting to note that John and Malinda appear TWICE in the 1870 US Census; once evidently at the saw mill, and once at their homestead. As they prospered at the farm, they were able to give up their jobs at the mill and devote full time to the improvement of their homestead.

Malinda made butter and sometimes walked as far as Dakota City, a distance of 15 miles, before daylight to sell her butter and eggs. Eggs at that time sold for 12 cents for 2 dozen. Since they could not afford wheat flour, most of the baking was done with corn meal. Washing was done on a washboard and all the clothes were boiled to get them clean. The Rockwells owned no sheep, so all wool yarn had to be purchased. The Sioux Indians when traveling to visit on the Winnebego Reservation, south of Homer, used to stop and ask to use their grinding wheel to sharpen their knives and tomahawks.

Malinda was responsible for the preservation and preparation of all the food for the family. Apples were a main part of their diet and they were dried for preservation. The apples were peeled, quartered, and placed on a sheet covered with cheese cloth. They were then placed outside in the sun during the day and taken inside at nights. In 10 - 14 days they were dry enough to store in bags for the winter. Meat was preserved by soaking in brine until salted through; it was then hung in the smokehouse and thoroughly smoked over a corn cob fire. Corn cobs were used because of the shortage of fire wood. Dry cow dung was used in the stove for heating and cooking for the same reason - no, it did not smell, as long as it was very dry. A dough box was used to mix and store yeast dough for bread and pastry. Two large iron griddles, now owned by Malinda's grand-daughter, Marjorie Close, were used to cook buckwheat flour pancakes. Malinda made the rugs which covered the wood plank floor of their home. These rugs were made from rags that were braided and sewn together in 3' wide sections. All the lighting in the house was by kerosene lamps.

In 1896, John and Malinda gave up the homestead and moved into Homer on a little 5 acre farm. She loved flowers and had them planted all around the house and the walkways. This house was destroyed by a bad flood after they moved from Homer to Collins Station, New York in 1916. In 1920 they moved to New Jerusalem Road in the Town of Eden, NY into the first house they owned that had indoor plumbing! The last 11 years of her life were much easier and they could afford some of the modern conveniences that we take for granted today. Late in 1930, Malinda suffered a stroke which left her bed-ridden for 13 weeks. On the 12th of February, 1931, her life of hardship ended. She is buried next to her husband in the Eden Cemetery on West Church Street in Eden, NY.

Malinda was about 5' 7" tall, medium to stocky build, with reddish brown hair and blue-gray eyes. It is not hard to see why Malinda seldom ever saw the funny side of life; she was always serious, but kind hearted. She never drank or swore, and never spanked the children. Her early married years were very typical for a woman of her generation: 12-15 hours a day of continuous work, preparing meals, caring for the children, gardening and caring for the livestock, making clothes, cleaning the house, canning and preserving food. This was a 7 day-a-week job, with little respite on Sundays!

Malinda's family line is as shown below. These families are covered in detail on the following pages.

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ROCKWELL
JOHN H.
MALINDA

MEMORIAL DAY, 1989, AT THE EDEN CEMETERY

Malinda Close and her mother, Marjorie Shook Close, visit the grave of John H. Rockwell and his wife, Malinda Barnhart Rockwell, in the Eden Cemetery, Eden, NY. Marjorie is the granddaughter of John and Malinda. Malinda Close was named after her great-grandmother, Malinda Barnhart Rockwell.

THE "PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH"

The following pages cover the Barnhart, Metz, and Slentz families that are related through Malinda Barnhart, the wife of John Handy Rockwell. These families are all "Pennsylvania Dutch".

The expression, Pennsylvania Dutch" pertains to the Swiss/German Protestants who came to Pennsylvania in the 1720 - 1800 time period. The word "Dutch" is an Anglicized form of the German word, "Deutsch", meaning German or a person from Germany. Pennsylvania was named by the English King and consisted of the Colony awarded to Admiral William Penn's son, William Penn Jr., in payment for moneys owed the Admiral. The King used Admiral Penn's name and added the expression, "sylva", meaning "woods or forest" : Penn + Sylva = Pennsylvania. A "Pennsylvania Dutchman" was therefore, a German/Swiss immigrant who settled in the Pennsylvania Colony.

Why did these people give up their homes, leave their family roots and be willing to face all the hardships of sailing across the ocean and pioneering on the Colonial frontiers? Europe during and prior to this time period was torn by continuous warfare, civil strife and a very limited opportunity for the average person to ever own property or advance above their station in society. Civil authority was very badly fragmented into hundreds of "city-states", usually headed by a member of royalty or a high ranking Catholic Church official. Protestants were persecuted, especially in the southern area of Germany, and many fled to Switzerland, some to Holland, and a few to England. We can well imagine how these people would respond when they were told by the English Government and by William Penn, that they would be welcome into the Colonies - the persecution, warfare and conflict would be ended, their lives stabilized, freedom to support their religious beliefs guaranteed, and the opportunity to OWN THEIR OWN LAND.

Many of these people came from Switzerland and the German Palatinate and were Lutherans, Mennonites and Calvinists. They traveled down the main rivers in Europe toward the seaports along the English Channel. One of their first hurdles was to have enough money to pay the multiple customs charges levied against the riverboat travelers by the local "Land Lords". One of the best seaports on the coast was at Rotterdam in the Netherlands, at the end of the Rhine River network. The would-be Colonists would board ships along the coast, sail across the Channel to Dover or Cowes (a seaport on the Isle of Wight). It usually took two weeks to clear customs in England. The voyage to the Colonies took, at best, 7 weeks, but more likely, 8 - 12 weeks depending upon the weather. Families often had to spend many days packed in the "barracks like" hold of the ship during inclement weather. Consequently, seasickness, disease, and even death took its toll. Shortages of suitable food and water were not uncommon.

Most of the ships arrived in Philadelphia where the new arrivals were taken to the Court House and were required to take an oath of allegiance to the English Crown. They were then pretty much on their own; usually settling with relatives, friends or others of their religious faith. Most of these folks initially settled in the river valleys in southeastern Pennsylvania. After the Revolutionary War, the frontiers were opened and a flood of pioneers moved into Maryland, the Virginias, western Pennsylvania and New York. The broad valleys, gently flowing rivers and rich soil reminded many of these people of their native Rhine country in Germany. The members of the Lutheran or Reformed Churches were known as the "Church People", many of the remainder were the "Plain People", members of the Amish or Mennonite Church, noted for their plain dress and distrust of the formal or "high" church ways.

Most of these settlers spoke German and as late as the 1820s, in many areas, German was the language of the schools, churches, and to the dismay of many other nationalities and "Americans", of the local government. Many lived and married within very close-knit communities bound together by culture, religious affiliation and marriage relationships.

It was very common that families were large, often with 10 or more children. As a consequence, the original "family farm" could not accommodate the children as they grew and got married. It was common that newly married couples, in family groups, left for the frontiers where they could obtain farmland of their own. We therefore find that in almost every generation there is at least one movement to new frontier settlements - at least 4 moves every 100 years. It should also be noted that the early New England Colonies were relatively stable and local governments and churches were established quite quickly in the frontier settlements. With the Pennsylvania Dutch, this "stability" was not present in the frontier areas and local churches and even Government was often not stabilized for several decades after the people settled the area. As a consequence, especially in the frontier areas, there are very few existing Church records of births, baptisms, marriages and deaths, and land, court, tax, Militia, and other Government activities are often very incomplete. On pages 5 and 6 we mention some of the problems encountered in trying to trace our family history; these are especially true with the "frontier moving families".

Another major problem encountered is the standardization of the spelling of the Pennsylvania Dutchman's name. As mentioned on page 5, this was especially true with "American/English" clerks recording, in their opinion, the correct spelling of a German name. As a hypothetical example: **Heinrik Johannas Bernhardt** was born and baptized in Germany and came to the Colonies, landing in Philadelphia in 1750 where he is recorded in the Oath of Allegiance lists as **Henrick Burnhard.** He is married and the Church record reads, "**Johan Barnhart** and Elizabeth were married June 7th, 1754" (note: no parents names nor her maiden name). They move to Mt Joy Township and **John Bearnhardt** purchases a farm in 1762 (note: Elizabeth is not mentioned as co-owner, women had not gained much legal recognition yet). The Militia rolls for Mt Joy Township for 1777 lists Pvt. **Henry Bornhard.** etc., etc., etc. 4 records and 4 different spellings of the **same** man's name. It is small wonder that we have difficulties establishing the true Pennsylvania Dutch family linkages!

The "carry forward" of these fine people may be seen today in the Amish communities in Pennsylvania and other northwestern states. These people live today very much as their ancestors did 150 years ago - deeply religious, hard working, family oriented folks living in rural settings devoid of many of the modern "necessities" of life.

THE BARNHART FAMILY LINE

"Barnhart" in old High German, means "bold as a bear". I am quite sure that the first Barnharts from our family line came from Germany and landed in Philadelphia about 1760. They were Pennsylvania Dutch and probably lived in the river valleys in Southeastern Pennsylvania until after the American Revolution. Because Pennsylvania and Maryland share a common border, it would not be unusual that our Barnharts should be living in northern Maryland as far back as I can trace them.

We have not been able to reconstruct our Barnhart lineage back into the 1700s - too few good clues, and too many Barnhart families to match them to! Here are a few facts on the early Barnharts:

--- 3 Barnharts are listed on ships passenger lists as arrivals from Europe in September, 1741 alone! There were many others arriving every month and year thereafter, and a few prior.

--- The name is often spelled Bernhart, Barnheart, Bernhard, etc., etc., etc. depending upon the literacy of the Barnhart and the interpretation of the recorder.

--- There are at least 14 Barnharts who served in the American Revolution, 1775 - 1783, who are recognized by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

--- There are 6 Barnhart, (by that spelling) families listed in the 1790 Census for Pennsylvania, and 7 more in Maryland; however, property, birth, and other records indicate there were other Barnharts there whose spelling of their names do not match the Census Records.

--- By 1810, there were 49 Barnhart families in Pennsylvania alone.

--- There were 18 Barnhart families in Ohio in 1820, and by 1830, this number had risen to 40 Barnhart families.

PETER BARNHART

The earliest Barnhart that can be identified as a member of our family is Peter Barnhart. Peter was probably born in Pennsylvania about 1776. Census records conflict as to his year of birth all the way from 1760 to 1790 - a 30 year spread! Inasmuch as he voted in the Presidential elections in November, 1796, and was married in November 1800, I assume he was at least 20 years old when he voted, and at least 20 when he married; this would place his year of birth around 1776 to 1780.

Peter Barnhart voted from Frederick Co., Maryland in the 1796 Presidential elections as a Democrat/Republican, vs Federalist (Vol 1, pg 287). Since our Peter was in the Frederick Co., Maryland area in 1796, we searched that area looking for other Barnharts who might be Peter's parents. We found two who might be related:

Michael Barnhart - listed in the 1790 Census living in Frederick Co. with 2 m 16+, 2 m 16-, and 5 females in his family. He also voted in the 1796 election. Michael and his wife, Margaretha "Banart" had a son, George, baptized 21 Sep 1782 in St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hagerstown. Michael is listed in the 1800 Census living in Taneytown, and in the 1820 Census in Taneytown, taken on 24 Nov 1820, with 1 m 10-15, 1 m 16-25, 1 m 45+, 1 f 16-25, 1 f 26-44. Michael might be our Peter's father.

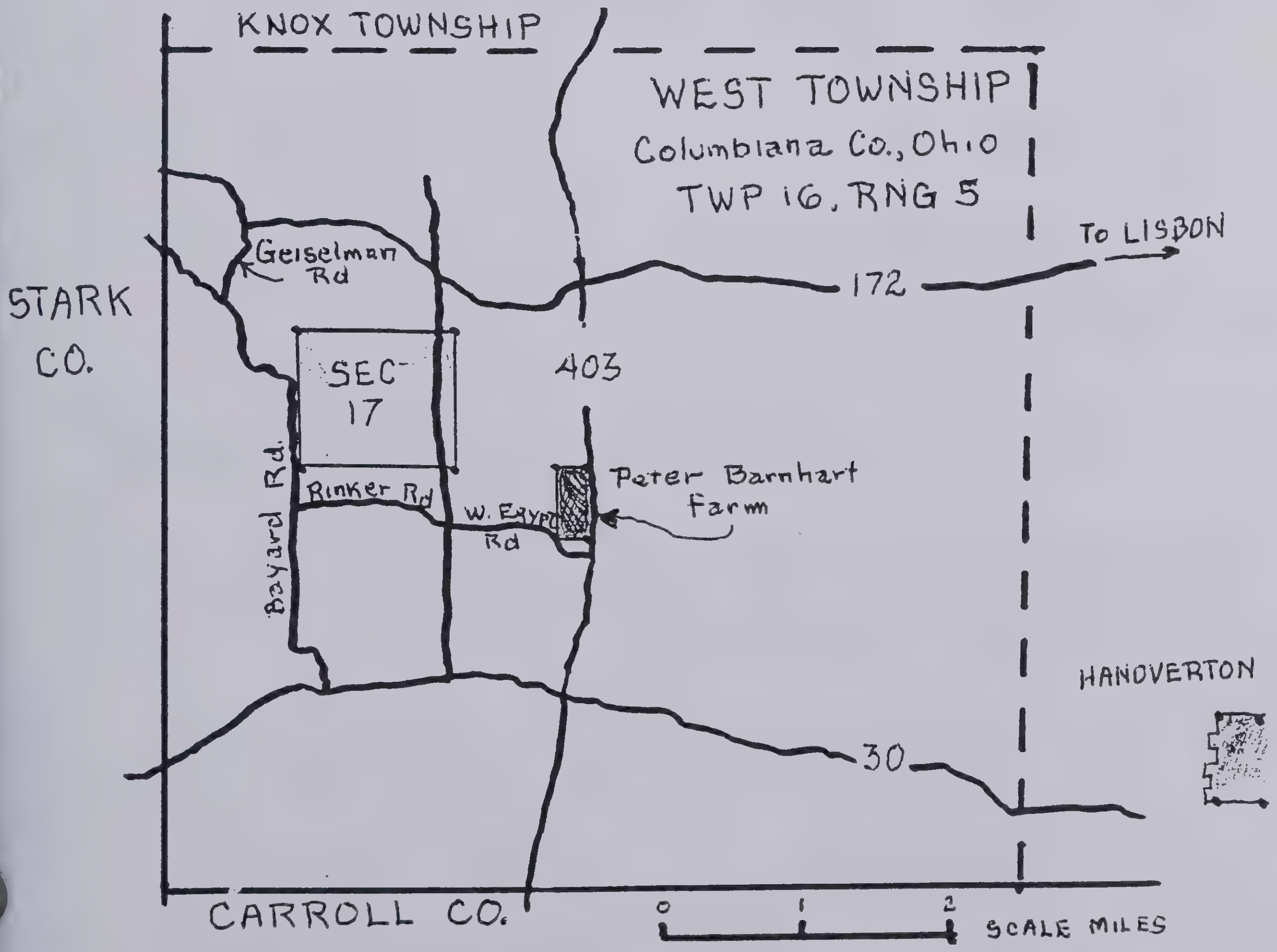
Henry Barnhart - living 12 names away from our Peter Barnhart in the 1800 Census. Henry appears older than Peter in that Henry's household consists of a son born 1790-1800, Henry b 1756-1774, a woman, probably Henry's wife, born 1775 - 1784, and an older woman, born prior to 1755. Henry and his wife, Catherine, had 5 children baptized in the Zion Reformed Church in Hagerstown: George b 2 Oct 1800, Elizabetha b 2 Mar 1803, Henrick b 15 Jan 1805, Jacob b 7 Jun 1813, and Samuel b 3 Aug 1815. We know that Henry purchased items from an estate of a man by the name of Christian Lantz in Upper Antietum 100 on 6-8 May, 1811. This estate sale was attended by a Christian METZ on the same days. Henry might be our Peter's father, or his brother.

A marriage license was issued to "Peter Bernhard" in November, 1800. The marriage took place and is recorded in St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church located on South Potomac Street in, what is now, Hagerstown, Washington Co., Maryland. Peter's bride was Barbara Metz, the daughter of Jacob and Magdalena Metz (records of St. John's Church, Vol 1, pg. 61).

Peter and Barbara are shown in the 1800 Census as a couple without children, 16-25 years old, living in Elizabeth 100 Township, Washington Co., MD (pg. 676, line 18). The "100" from Elizabeth 100 Twp, comes from the old English term, meaning a tract of land capable of supporting 100 people. Elizabeth 100's name was changed in January, 1814 to Hager's Town (now Hagerstown). Living 12 names away from Peter and Barbara in the 1800 Census is Henry Barnhart as mentioned above.

In the 1810 Census Peter and Barbara are missing, or at least, could not be identified by name. Henry Barnhart is listed, but now living in Upper Antietam 100 Township. His household now consists of 1 boy born 1794-1800, a man born 1784-1794, a man born 1765-1784 (probably Henry), 2 girls born 1800 - 1810, a woman born 1765-1784 (possibly Catharine), and the older woman, born prior to 1765. It is possible that Peter and Barbara are living with Henry - or - they may have moved elsewhere - we do not know for sure.

Peter and Barbara moved to Ohio as early as 1815. For sure, they were there in 1820 and appear in the Census of that year in Springfiled Township, Columbiana County. By now their family had grown to 5 boys and 3 girls. Peter then purchased land from the US Government on Certificate Number 165 issued in Stubenville, Ohio on 5 April, 1822. This land was the East 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 21, Twp 16, Rng 5 West, located in West Township, Columbiana Co. as shown below. This land was evidently passed on to Peter Barnhart Jr., who sold it on 30 December, 1876 (Vol 38, pg 705, Columbiana Co. Deeds).



The property of Jacob Slentz was somewhere in Section 17. Peter Barnhart's property is the East 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 21.

Peter and Barbara are shown in the 1830 and 1840 Census living in West Township, Columbiana County, as shown:

1830	1 male under 5	**1840**	1 male under 5
pg	1 male 5-10	Vol 5	1 male 15-20
166	2 male 10-15	pg 9	1 male 20-30
	2 male 15 - 20		1 male 50-60
	1 male 60-70		1 female 60-70
	1 female 20-30		
	1 female 50-60		

I can find no other records of Peter and Barbara in Columbiana County. There is no record of their deaths nor a Will. This leads me to believe that they moved to DeKalb County, Indiana with their son about 1846 or 1847. This is supported by the fact that a Peter Barnhart sold 40 acres of land for $75 to John Barnhart, a known son of Peter, on the 4th of March, 1854 in Union Township, DeKalb County, Indiana. This "Peter Barnhart" is most likely Peter Sr., though the deed does not so state. See the map on page 102 for the location of this property.

The 1850 Census of Wilmington Township, DeKalb County, Indiana shows a Peter Barnhart, age 90, living with David Barnhart: we assume this is our Peter living with his son, David. We can assume that Peter died in DeKalb Co. sometime around March, 1854. It is assumed that Barbara died between 1840 and 1850. We have no indication where either Peter or Barbara are buried.

THE CHILDREN OF PETER BARNHART AND BARBARA METZ

I. ELIZABETH BARNHART - b c1801, probably in Washington Co., Marryland. Married John Flickinger c1816 in Columbiana Co., Ohio.

II. MARY MAGDELENE BARNHART - b c1804, probably in Washington Co., Maryland. Married Henry Jennings in 1823 in Columbiana Co., Ohio.

III. BARBARA BARNHART - b c 1806 probably in Washington Co., Maryland. Married Benjamin Watkins in 1829 in Columbiana Co., Ohio.
  A. Delilah Watkins - b 25 Dec 1832. m Nimrod Amones on 16 Nov 1848. d 9 Sep 1904.
    1. Mary E. Amones - b 4 Jun 1869. m Charles Craig.
  B. Lucinda Watkins - b c1838.

NOTE: The preceeding three girls are placed as daughters of Peter and Barbara based upon indications in the 1820 Census that indicated they had 3 daughters. The above three Barnhart names came from Columbiana Co., marriage records. We have no proof that they are, in fact, the daughters of Peter and Barbara.

IV. JACOB BARNHART - b 1800-1810 probably in Washington Co., Maryland. Married Elizabeth Stull, a probable daughter of Adam Stull, on 17 Dec, 1829 in Columbiana Co (Bk 2, pg 368). Listed in the 1830 Census (Vol 14, pg 166) West Township, Columbiana Co., (1 m 20-30, & 1 f 15-20) with no children and living next door to Jacob Slentz.

  A. Jacob Barnhart Jr. - b 1840 in Ohio. m Fammie Stroup on 28 Mar 1861 (Bk 4, pg 434) in Columbiana Co. Listed in the 1870 Census (pg 173) in Knox Twp, Columbiana Co., as a carpenter age 30, wife age 28, both born in Ohio. Jacob Jr. died in Knox Twp on 25 Mar 1915.
    1. Lewis Barnhart - b c1862
    2. Louisa Barnhart - b c1863
    3. Jacobson Barnhart - b c1865

THE CHILDREN OF PETER BARNHART AND BARBARA METZ continued:

4. Alviarne Barnhart - b c1868
5. Amos Preston Barnhart - b 8 Apr 1875 in Knox Twp.
6. Emma D. Barnhart - b 8 Jan 1882
7. Richard Barnhart - b 11 Aug 1876
8. Viola Barnhart - b 23 Sep 1878

V. JOHN G. BARNHART - **Born 3 June, 1815 in Ohio. Married Eliza Slentz on 15 Nov 1838. Died 26 Feb 1876 in DeKalb Co., Indiana. John is the next generation of our Barnhart line. See the biography on John and Eliza in the following section.**

VI. PETER BARNHART JR. Born c1818 in Ohio. m 1st Elizabeth Moore on 26 Aug 1843 (Bk 3, pg 351) in Columbiana Co. m 2nd Susanna Wolf on 10 Aug 1853 (Bk 4, pg 220). Listed in the 1850 Census (Vol 9, pg 120) in Liverpool Twp., Columbiana Co. This may be the Peter Barnhart who sold land in Columbiana Co. on 28 Nov 1865 (Vol 77, pg 185). It is possible that Peter moved to DeKalb Co., after 1853 and returned to Ohio sometime later.

A. Elizabeth Barnhart - b early 1850 in Columbiana Co., OH.

VII. JOSEPH BARNHART - Born about 1819 in Ohio. m Catherine Hiner on 8 Oct 1835 (Bk 3, pg 69) in Columbiana Co. Catherine was b c1819 in Ohio. Joseph was a witness to a deed for John and Eliza Barnhart , his brother, on 19 Apr 1843.
1840 Census, Gillford, Hanover Twp., Columbiana Co, Ohio.NOTE: The 1840 Census indicates that there may have been 2 boys and a girl older than A-D, below, who had left home by 1850.
1850 Census, West Twp., Columbiana Co., Ohio, pg 787, fam 91.

A. Mary J. Barnhart - b c1843.
B. Elizabeth Barnhart - b c1845.
C. Rachael A. Barnhart - b c1848.
D. Ephrium Barnhart - b Dec 1849 or Jan 1850.

VIII. DAVID BARNHART - Born c1820 in Ohio. m Nancy Cogley on 13 Apr 1837 (Bk 3, pg 136) in Columbiana Co. Nancy was b c1820. David went to DeKalb Co., IN about 1846. David had died by 24 Oct 1892 when Nancy applied for a mother's pension based upon the service of their son, Peter, in the Civil War (#562688). At that time, she was living in Butternut, Montcalm Co., MI, probably with one of her children.
1840 Census, West Twp., Columbiana Co., OH
1850 Census, DeKalb Co., IN
1860 Census, DeKalb Co., IN

A. Peter Barnhart - b 20 Oct 1840 in Ohio. Listed in the 1860 Census living in Waterloo, Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. as a railroad hand. Enlisted in Company H, 30th IN Vol. Inf Regiment on 11 Sep 1861. Mustered into service on 24 Sep 1861. Died of gunshot wounds received in the Battle of Stones River (Murfreesborro), TN, as a Corporal on 31 Dec 1862. His parents received his back pay and a $200 enlistment bounty upon his death.
B. Arron Barnhart - b c1841.
C. Rebecca Barnhart - b c1843. Living with William & Sarah Maxwell in the 1860 Census of DeKalb Co.
D. Ephriam Barnhart - b c1846.
E. Elizabeth Barnhart - b c1847
F. Phoebe Barnhart - b c1850.
G. (male) Barrnhart - b c1856.

THE CHILDREN OF PETER BARNHART AND BARBARA METZ continued:

H. William Barnhart - b c1858.

IX. SOLOMAN BARNHART - b 20 Oct 1823 in Columbiana Co., OH. m Abigail Rigley on 22 Jan 1846 (Bk 3 pg 437) in Columbiana Co. Soloman is mentioned as receiving payment from the estate of Jacob Slentz, his uncle by marriage, in 1840. They moved to DeKalb Co., IN prior to 1850. Soloman died 2 Dec 1892, age 69 yr, 1 mo, 12 da. He is buried in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery in Waterloo, IN.

1870 Census, waterloo, Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN, pg 16, fam 119, stone mason, $300 real estate, $1100 personal property value.

A. Hiram Barnhart - b c1850 in IN.
B. Alice Barnhart - b c1851 in IN.
C. Hattie Barnhart - b c1859 in IN.
D. Prisie Barnhart - b c1864 in IN.
E. Soloman Barnhart - b c1868 in IN.

X. ADAM BARNHART - Born c1821 in OH. m Catharine Redman on 24 Aug 1853 (Bk 4, pg 181) in Columbiana Co. They owned land which they sold on 6 Nov 1865, being the SW 1/4 of Sec 5 in Knox Twp., Columbiana Co. (Vol 55, pg 598).

1860 Census, Knox Twp., Columbiana Co., OH., pg 33. Farmer, no children, Elizabeth Redman, age 62, b Maryland, and Simon Redman, age 22, b OH (these are probably Catharine's mother and brother).

JOHN G. BARNHART

John G. Barnhart was born on the 3rd of June, 1815 in Columbiana County, OH in either Springfield or West Township. John was the 2nd son of Peter Barnhart and Barbara Metz.

John's early childhood was undoubtedly a hard one because his family was one of the early settlers in the Columbiana Co., area in Ohio. All the children in these early pioneer families were expected to work as soon as they were physically able; gardens and livestock needed to be productive in order for the family to survive.

John married young Eliza Slentz ("Slenty" according to their marriage record), the 15 year old daughter of Jacob and Mary Slentz on the 15th of November, 1838 (Vol 3, pg 201, recorded 6 Dec 1838). The Slentz family were neighbors of the Barnharts, living about 2 miles west, down, what is known today as the Rinker and West Egypt Roads. The marriage was probably performed in one of the family homes. Eliza's sister, Lydia, was married at the same time to Cyrenias Bates, probably in a double ceremony to make the best use of a traveling minister.

The young couple set up housekeeping and their first child, Henry, was born on 26 December, 1839 in their cabin near the Slentz family farm. Eliza signed a quit claim as heirs-in-law of Eliza's father, Jacob Slentz, who had died, to Jeremiah Rube, for real estate Jacob owned in Rng 5, Twp 16, Sec 17 of West Township, on 19 Apr, 1843 (Vol 36, pg 774). See the map on page 141.

In 1840, a general movement began to new lands in Indiana. In Indiana there was sufficient land available for large farms which would support a family easily. Because of the large Slentz and Barnhart families, the original "homestead" could not be economically "split-up" between all the children. As a consequence, most of the children would have to find farms of their own - hence the move to Indiana. Eliza's brothers, Henry, Michael, and Noah Slentz, and her married sister, Nancy Baughman, along with John's brother, David Barnhart, all decided to take the big step and break away from the family ties in Ohio and make a new home in Indiana. In 1846 and 1847, John and Eliza and the others made their ox team journey to DeKalb Co., Indiana.

In the 1850 Census of DeKalb County, we find Michael and Noah Slentz, Ann, Joel, John and William Rockwell, and George Trout, all living near John and Eliza Barnhart.

Hiram Nodine sold a 40 acre farm to John and Eliza for $200 on the 28th of October, 1853. This farm was the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec 13 in Union Township, DeKalb Co. See the map on page 102. This deed was recorded in Vol H, pg 28 on 16 Dec, 1853 of DeKalb Co., Deeds. The deed was witnessed by Noah Slentz and Solomon Baughman.

On the 4th of March, 1854, John purchased a 40 acre farm from "Peter Barnhart". This Peter Barnhart may have been John's father, or his brother, Peter Barnhart Jr.; I believe it was purchased from his father. The farm was located in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 13 in Union (now Grant) Twp, Dekalb Co. It was diagonally across the road from John's original property and was purchased for $75. Peter signed the deed with an "X" and it was recorded in Vol H, pg 248, on 28 Apr, 1854.

John and Eliza's home was a two room log cabin with a ston e fireplace for heating and cooking. This cabin was still standing in the early 1900s.

John died 26 February, 1876. He is buried in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery, lot #119, and his grave is marked "J. G. Barnhart, born June 3 1815, died Feb 26 1876, aged 60 yrs 8 mo 23 days." We have never found any record that indicates what John's middle name was - in fact his grave stone is the first indication that he had a middle name that began with the letter "G"!

John and Eliza are found in the following US Census:
1840 Census, West Township, Columbiana Co., OH. pg 4.
1850 Census, Union Township, DeKalb Co, IN, pg 507, fam 137, farmer.
1860 Census, Union Township, DeKalb Co, IN, pg 193, fam 291.
1880 Census, Union Township, DeKalb Co., IN, pg 5 fam 44. Eliza, widow.

Eliza and her Slentz family line is shown in the following section on the Slentz family.

The gravestone of John G. Barnhart in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G. BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ

The birthdates for these 13 children are from the family Bible in the possession of Mr. Leon Barnhart of Auburn, IN, a son of Levi Barnhart.

An interesting sidelight on these children is a transcript from an old class book that belonged to Margaret Hagerty Slentz who was a school teacher in Union Township, DeKalb Co. In her class book for November 17th to December 11th, 1862, there are listed the following Barnhart children:

"M. Barnhart	age 9	Jc Barnhart	age 13	
L. Barnhart	age 5	Ma Barnhart	age 11	
Theo. Barnhart	age 7	D Barnhart	--------	(no age given)
J. Barnhart	age 15"			

I. HENRY BARNHART - Born 26 December, 1839 in Columbia Co., OH. Married Mary Horsch on 26 Apr 1861 at Auburn, IN. Mary died 1 Jan 1902 and Henry married 2nd, Lucinda M. Woodruff on 26 Mar 1903. Lucinda died 20 Aug 1913. "For 27 years he was a miller in the Towbridge Flour Mill near South Haven and afterwards was employeed in the same capacity in Locota and Breedsville. He then moved to a farm in Lee Township, Allegan County and from there to a farm near Bravo. From there to the home of his son, John, where he died 25 April 1915 at the age of 76 years and 4 months." - from a old newspaper clipping in the Rockwell family Bible.
1850 Census, Union Township, DeKalb Co., IN pg 507, age 9 yr.
1860 Census, Auburn, Union Twp, DeKalb Co., IN. pg 16, "Henry age 20 apprentice in mill to John Miller."

A. William Barnhart - b
B. John Barnhart - b
C. Mrs Ed Dokey - b adopted daughter, living in Kalamazoo in 1915.

II. DAVID BARNHART - b 14 Jan 1841 in Columbiana Co., OH. Married Clarinda Harwood, a daughter of Asa and Cynthia Stockwell Harwood. Clarinda was b c 1845 in OH.
1870 Census, Franklin Twp, DeKalb Co., IN pg 26, fam 174
1880 Census, Wilmington Twp, DeKalb Co., IN pg 3
A. William Barnhart - b m Ella Smurr.
  1. Edna Barnhart - b m Walter Cool
    a. Phyliss Cool - b m Roy Free. Children: Roy Jr., and Larry Lee Free
    b. Dorothy Cool - b m Trevor Mavis. Children: Donald, Dale, Ellanora, Daryl, Ellen, and Evelyn Mavis.
  2. Lyle Barnhart - b m Ruby Hurpsburger.
  3. Fred Barnhart - b m Bernice Glass
    a. Raymond Barnhart - b m Nadine McBride
  4. Gladys Barnhart - b m Harry Crooks
    a. Deloss Crooks - b m Evelyn Mercer. Children: Particia, Dennis, Leroy, and Stephen Crooks.
    b. Glenys Crooks - b m Ernest Steckley. Children: Judy, James, John, and Janet Steckley.
    c. Donald Crooks - b m Marie Brown. Children: Connie Sue, and Linda Crooks.
    d. Robert Crooks - b m Marrian DeWitt.
    e. Sharon Ann Crooks - b
  5. Carl Barnhart - b m Hazel Bryon.
    a. Beverly Ann Barnhart - b
    b. Carline May Barnhart - b
    c. Nancy Lou Barnhart - b
    d. William Bryon Barnhart - b

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G. BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

        6. Fred Barnhart - b m Ida Thatcher
            a. Louis Barnhart - b m Grace Walsh
            b. Robert Barnhart - b m Marie ______
            c. Fern Barnhart - b m Ted Thompson. Children: Fredie, and Anna May Thompson
    B. Orin Barnhart - b c1869
    C. Cynthia Barnhart - b c1874
    D. Emma Barnhart - b
    E. George Barnhart - b Mar 1880
    F. Fred Barnhart - b

III. NOAH BARNHART - Born 23 March, 1842 in Columbiana Co., OH. Enlisted in Company I, 48th Regiment of Indiana Infantry at Elkhart Co., IN on the 24th of December, 1861. On the 19th of Sep 1862, the 48th Infantry attacked the Confererates who were encamped in the town of Iuka, Mississippi. In the battle which followed, 141 Union soldiers died, among them was Private Noah Barnhart.

IV. NANCY BARNHART - Born 25 January, 1844 in Columbiana Co., OH. Married Solomon Baughman.

    A. Rosane Baughman - b
    B. Amanda Baughman - b m George Oren
        1. Eugene Oren - b
        2. Edith Oren - b m _______ Brown
        3. Burt Oren - b m Grace Walsh
    C. Edward Baughman - b
    D. Malinda Baughman - b m Myron Bishop
        1. Etna Bishop - b
        2. Roa Bishop - b m Thomas Shaffer
            a. Lois Shaffer - b m Raymond Cool
    E. Judson Baughman - b m Molly _____
        1. Lawrence Baughman - b
        2. Gilbert Baughman - b
        3. Gwendolyn Baughman - b
    F. Cyrus Baughman - b m Nettie Hubbard
        1. Paul Baughman - b m Rettie Funk
            a. Marjorie Baughman - b m John Keck. Chrildren: Clair Diana Keck.
            b. Maynard Baughman - b m Joy Linton. Children: Lenard, Melanie Ann, and Melinda Sue Baughman.
            c. Arthur Baughman - b m Mary Jo ______. Children: Charles Frederick Baughman.
        2. Dessie Baughman - b m John Bemen
        3. Ralph Baughman - b m
            a. Robert Baughman - b
        4. Edna Baughman - b m Walter Loutzenheiser
    G. Lulu Baughman - b m Joseph Piefer
        I. Letha Piefer - b m John Sechler
            a. Bernard Sechler - b
            b. Robert Sechler - b
            c. Martha Sechler - b
            d. Naomi Sechler - b

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G. BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

- 2. Nora Piefer - b m John Kearns
    - a. Wayne Kearns - b
    - b. Earl Kearns - b
    - c. Ruth Kearns - b m Jack Loos. Children: Elaine Loos.
- 3. Elsie Piefer - b m Harold Wilson

H. Emma Baughman - b m Herman Kettle

I. Canada Baughman - b

J. Munson Baughman - b m Mae Loutzenheiser. Members of this family lived in and around Auburn, IN in 1972.

- 1. Eugene Baughman - b m Ruth Berry
    - a. Robert Baughman - b
    - b. Donald Baughman - b
    - c. Arlene Baughman - b
    - d. Josephine Baughman - b
    - e. Munson Baughman - b
- 2. Oscar Baughman - b m Melba Hutton
    - a. Beryl Baughman - b m Richard McKenzie
    - b. Gordon Baughman - b m Darlene Hess

K. Ellen Baughman - b

L. Blanche Baughman - b m Howard Franks

- 1. Ethel Franks - b m Carl Budd
- 2. Dessie Franks - b
- 3. Gladys Franks - b
- 4. Jennie Franks - b m Forest Robbins
- 5. Verna Franks - b
- 6. Alma Frranks - b
- 7. Freda Franks - b
- 8. Joan Franks - b

V. JOHN BARNHART - Born 13 Oct 1845 in Columbiana Co., OH. Married Harriet Baughman who was b c1858 in IN. John and Harriet sold 10 acres of the farm marked "C" on page 102, to "Levy Barnhart" (probably Levi, his brother) and quit claimed his 1/7th share of the farm marked "D" (page 102), on 16 Dec 1899. John died in Michigan.

1880 Census, Auburn Precinct, Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN pg 3 fam 34. no children.

VI. JACOB BARNHART - Born 13 July, 1848 in DeKalb Co., IN. Married Rose Markam. Jacob died 10 Dec 1878 in IN.

A. Etta Barnhart - b m 1st W. F. Krontz. m 2nd Earl Miller.

- 1. Joy Krontz - b m Levi Boyers. Joy d c1944.
    - a. Gerald Boyers - b
    - b. Grace Boyers - b
    - c. Beatrice Boyers - b
    - d. Burton Boyers - b
    - e. Robert Boyers - b
    - f. Frank Boyers - b
    - g. Laverne Boyers - b
    - h. Denver Boyers - b
    - i. Vera Boyers - b
    - j. Earl Boyers - b

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G/ BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

2. Golda Krontz - b m Oakley Fox
    a. Harry Fox - b
    b. Mildred Fox - b
    c. Golda Fox - b
3. Ray Krontz - b m Daisy Keefer
    a. Norman Krontz - b
    b. Alan Krontz - b
4. Flossie Krontz - b m F. O. Smith
    a. Ray O. Smith - b
    b. William Smith - b
    c. Burton Smith - b
5. Delight Krontz - b m George Wheelock
    a. Russel Wheelock - b
    b. Warren Wheelock - b
    c. Neal Wheelock - b
6. Lloyd Krontz - b
7. Marguerite Krontz - b m Garnet Weir
    a. Barbara Jean Weir - b
    b. Jacqueline Weir - b

VII. MALINDA BARNHART - Born 4 September 1849 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. Married John Hand Rockwell on 27 October, 1867. Died 12 February 1931 in Eden, NY. Malinda is the next generation of our Barnhart Family line. See page 15

VIII. MARY BARNHART - Born January, 1852 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. Married William Edwards. Mary died in Manistique, MI.

A. Calvin Edwards - b m Pearl Metcalf
B. Ida Edwards - b m John Remel
    1. Dorothy Remel - b
C. Susan Edwards - b

IX. THEADORE BARNHART - Born 26 Oct 1855 in Union Twp, DeKalb Co. IN. Theadore moved to the upper peninsula of MI and was a logger up there. He wrote back to his brother, Levi, several times, but never returned to see the family. It is believed he did not marry and died in upper MI c1939.

X. ELIZA ANN BARNHART - Born 15 March, 1857 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. Married Frederick Keller and lived near Warterloo. Eliza's mother, Eliza Slentz Barnhart was living with them when Frederick died. Eliza Keller died c1946 in Waterloo, IN.

1880 Census shows Eliza as a widow, living with her brother, Levi, pg 5 fam 44.

A. Albert Keller - b m Letha Smith. Albert d 1963.
    1. Floyd Keller - b m Mildred Rohm
        a. Floyd Keller Jr. - b m Martha Lower
        b. Harold Keller - b m Harriett Lynn
        c. Leroy Keller - b
        d. Violet Marie Keller - b m James Provine
    2. Ralph Keller - b
    3. Iola May Keller - b

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G. BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

- B. Mary Keller - b m Clay Latier
  - 1. Harold Latier - b m Rhena Bateman
  - 2. Esther Latier - b m Harold Ernest
  - 3. Richard Latier - b
- C. Levi Martin Keller - b
- D. Eddie Keller - b

XI. SUSAN BARNHART - Born 3 March, 1859 in Union Township, DeKalb Co., IN. "Aunt Ida" as Susan was called, married 1st Edward Eckright. m 2nd Martin Blume, a farmer. They lived near Fort Wayne, IN where Susan died c1939.

- A. Nora Eckright - b
- B. Earl Eckright - b m Agnes Luce
  - 1. Richard Eckright - b

XII. LEVI BARNHART - Born 21 April, 1861 in DeKalb Co., IN. Married Ida Smurr on 21 Sep 1883. Ida was born 5 Jul 1865. Levi died 28 Mar 1930 and Ida married 2nd, Eugene Wyatt. Ida died 28 Apr 1962, and Eugene died 3 Dec 1942.

- A. Nora Barnhart - b 30 Jun 1884. m 1st Murl Hubbard (b 6 Dec 1878 - d 5 Oct 1945). m 2nd Gratin VanWey who was b 20 Feb 1883. Nora d 25 May 1942.
  - 1. Florence Hubbard - b 11 Feb 1902. m Charles Rice (b 17 Dec 1901 - d 10 May 1937).
    - a. Verla Rice - b 9 Jan 1927.
    - b. Onnalee Rice - b 22 Jan 1931. m George Hoover who was b 26 Feb 1932. Children: Terry A. b 7 Oct 1951, Ronald G b 10 Mar 1953, Judith A. b 18 Feb 1954, Laurie A. b 30 Jan 1960, and Christine Hoover.
    - c. Dale E. Rice - b 3 Mar 1933. m Carolyn Duflo (b 24 Jul 1934). Children Allen D. b 4 Oct 1953, and Duain F. Rice b 16 Jul 1956.
    - d. Earl D. Rice - b 9 May 1934. m Sava Vijovich (b 12 Nov 1936). Children: Kayrn Sava, Michael Earl, and Particia Ann Rice.
  - 2. Lester Hubbard - b 3 Mar 1905. m 1st Ada Walker (b 9 Dec 1905 - d 18 Aug 1938). m 2nd Ruth Walker (b 3 Aug 1909). Lester d 26 Apr 1962.
    - a. Winifred Louise Hubbard - b 22 Mar 1929. m James Stewart (b 1 Feb 1928). Children: Martha Louise b 1 Dec 1948, Judith Lynn b 16 Sep 1950, Lucinda Lee b 12 Mar 1956, and Nancy Laurie Stewart b 11 Oct 1959.
    - b. Carolyn Joyce Hubbard - b 16 Oct 1930. m Kermit Pike (b 21 Jun 1929). Children: Robert Gregory b 30 Aug 1954, Susan Denise b 3 Mar 1956, and Elizabeth Jane Pike.
    - c. Betty Jane Hubbard - b 29 Mar 1932. m Russell Melin (b 8 Aug 1928). Children: Debra Ann b 7 apr 1953, Russell Maurice b 11 Jun 1954, Jill Ruth b 6 Dec 1955, Larry Dean b 6 Dec 1959, and Glenn Lester Melin.
    - d. Helen Lois Hubbard - b 30 Oct 1936. m Clyde Norris (b 5 Jun 1933). Children: David Duane b 2 Feb 1957, Sandra May b 25 Aug 1959, Linda Jean, and Mark William Norris.
  - 3. Eston Lee Hubbard - b 31 Mar 1908. m Letha May Morehouse (b 12 Apr 1913).
    - a. Theus Nadene Hubbard - b 10 Feb 1930. m 1st _____ Bird. m 2nd Paul West. Children: Wendy Lee b 14 Jan 1949 and Kurt Thomas Bird b 7 Jul 1953. Eston Paul b 13 Jun 1956, Tami Lee m 26 Aug 1957, and William Michael West.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G, BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

b. Avis May Hubbard - b 22 Dec 1934. m 1st Otto Peterson Jr. m 2nd Bob Bouwens (b 18 Feb 1929). Children: Terry Peterson b 15 Jul 1953. Bonnie Jean b 22 May 1954, Larry LeRoy b 2 Jul 1955, Lynn Alan b 3 Mar 1958, and Randy Scott Bouwens.

c. Reta Ann Hubbard - b 11 Jun 1937. m Ray Harrison (b 10 Apr 1933). Children: Penny Lee b 23 Apr 1954, Louis Raymond b 26 Jul 1955, Timothy Edward b 30 Jun 1956, Gary Duaine b 22 Oct 1957, David b 19 Mar 1959, and Bruce Harrison.

B. Mabel Barnhart - b 22 Jun 1886. m Mark Esselburn (b 29 Jun 1881 - d 12 Jan 1953). Mabel d 19 Jun 1964.

1. Lucille Esselburn - b 20 Oct 1906. m Robert Shippy (b 13 Jan 1908).

a. Robert Shippy Jr - b and d 22 Jan 1927.

b. Donald Shippy - b 10 Jul 1928. m Joan Hetrick (b12 May 1930) Children: Marcia Jan b 8 Jun 1949, Robert Mark b 14 Jul 1952, Melinda Jo b 1 Feb 1955, and Donald E. Shippy b 6 May 1956.

2. Vernie Hubert Esselburn - b 7 Feb 1908. m Elzena Miller (b 31 Aug 1912).

a. Wilfred Vernie Esselburn - b 3 Apr 1933. m Evellyn Van Fossen (b 8 Jan 1937). Children: Michael Steven b 29 May 1956, Neal Allen b 15 May 1958, and Thomas Vernie Esselburn b 9 May 1960.

b. Dolly Darling Esselburn - b 29 Sep 1936. m Henry LaMarr Kressley (b 31 Oct 1928). Children: Deborah Cay Kressley b 31 Oct 1955.

c. Violet Hellen Esselburn - b 2 Apr 1939. m Donald Elliott.

3. Dorsey Jay Esselburn - b 16 Aug 1918. m Margaret V. Holman (b 7 Sep 1920).

a. Dewayne Esselburn - b 19 Dec 1937. m Ginette Renee Naud (b 23 Oct 1934). Children: Philipe Jay b 10 May 1958, Larry b 31 Oct 1959, and Linda May Esselburn.

b. Sue Jo Esselburn - b 2 Nov 1939. m Jerry Lee Johnston (b 25 Feb 1936). Children: Allen Dale and Malinda Kay Johnston.

C. Leon Earl Barnhart - b 26 Jan 1890. m Gladys Hazel Dannells (b 29 Apr 1892 - living in Oct 1970). Leon died 15 Sep 1969.

1. Grace E. Barnhart - b 6 Sep 1910. m Hubert Henry Pommert (b 6 Nov 1904 - d 22 Aug 1966).

a. James Leslie Pommert - b 21 Jun 1938. m Barbara Bretz (b 23 Feb 1941). Children: Cynthia Ann and Karene Lorene Pommert.

b. Kay Ann Pommert - b 29 Jun 1943. m Ralph Estes in 1971. Children: Janice Arlene Estes b 22 Oct 1958.

c. Jack Eldon Pommert - b 22 Nov 1947.

2. Ruth Delores Barnhart - b 25 May 1912. m Ralph J. Musser (b 10 Oct 1910).

a. Sandra Sue Musser - b 1 Jun 1938. m 1st Ivey Cauley (b 4 Nov 1933). m 2nd Luis Bendezu (b 11 Sep 1931). Children: Christopher Stuart Cauley b 30 Aug 1954. Luis Emundo Bendezu b 19 Jan 1960.

b. Kent Howard Musser - b 23 Jul 1940. m Sandra Keller Wright. Children: Guenevere Eliner Musser.

c. William Norman Musser - b 15 Jul 1947. m Patricia Ludwin (b 29 May 1948). Children: Jeffry Scott Musser.

d. Beth Elaine Musser - b 14 Jun 1954.

**** 3. Doris May Barnhart - b 23 Feb 1914. m Orval Emmon See (b 1 Sep 1912).

a. Jon Michael See - b 14 Dec 1941. m Elizabeth Ann Conkle. Children: Michael Jon, Christina Marie, and Eric Stephen See.

4. Leon Leroy Barnhart - b 19 Oct 1921. d 14 Aug 1933.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN G. BARNHART AND ELIZA SLENTZ continued:

5. Keith Edwin Barnhart - b 27 Jan 1926. m Elizabeth A. Rogers (b 31 Jul 1924).
    a. Deborah Ann Barnhart - b 13 Sep 1951.
    b. Steven Keith Barnhart - b 13 Nov 1955.
6. David Allen Barnhart - b 24 Mar 1933. m Bonnie Lee Schulze (b 4 Jan 1933).
    a. Diana Lynn Barnhart 0 b 16 Sep 19__
    b. Douglass Allen Barnhart - b 1 Apr 19__.

D. Lawrence John Barnhart - b 28 May 1892. m Clydia May Buttermore (b 25 Apr 1894).
1. Burgess Barnhart - b 2 Mar 1916. m 1at Margaret Huffman. m 2nd Martha Houser.
    a. Judith Ann Barrnhart - b 1 Oct 1934. m 1st Dean Hardy. divorced. m 2nd Donald Peel. Children: Steven Lynn Hardy b Jul 1954. Ann, Amy, and Janice Peel.
    b. Larry Dennis Barnhart - b 18 Oct 1945.
    c. Annette Sue Barnhart - b 15 Dec 1946.
    d. Thomas E. Barnhart - b 25 Jan 1949.
    e. Daniel Lee Barnhart - b 15 Jan 1951.
2. Maxine I. Barnhart - b 17 Dec 1918. m Charles W. Ervin (b 2 Oct 1917).
    a. Linda Lanae Ervin - b 18 Mar 1947. m Daniel Stephens. Children: Brian Stephens.
    b. Jane Andrea Ervin - b 20 Jun 1949. m Hubert Ray Taylor.
3. Mildred L. Barnhart - b 7 Jan 1927. m Melvin E. Bartels (b 12 Jan 1925).
    a. Paula Jean Bartles - b 18 Jan 1951.
    b. Marrtin Douglas Bartles - b 17 May 1954.
    c. Brenda Sue Bartels - b 7 Aug 1957.
    d. Cynthia Kae Bartels - b 3 Aug 1959.

**** E. Verlie Orlo Barnhart - b 23 Mar 1898. m Kathryn Blanche Updegraph (b 7 Jul 1900). Verlie was a minister.
1. Paul Russell Barnhart - b 12 Jan 1928. m Shirley Jane Porter (b 29 Jan 1929).
    a. Carol Ann Barnhart - b 6 Apr 1955.
    b. Linda Gail Barnhart - b 24 Apr 1958.

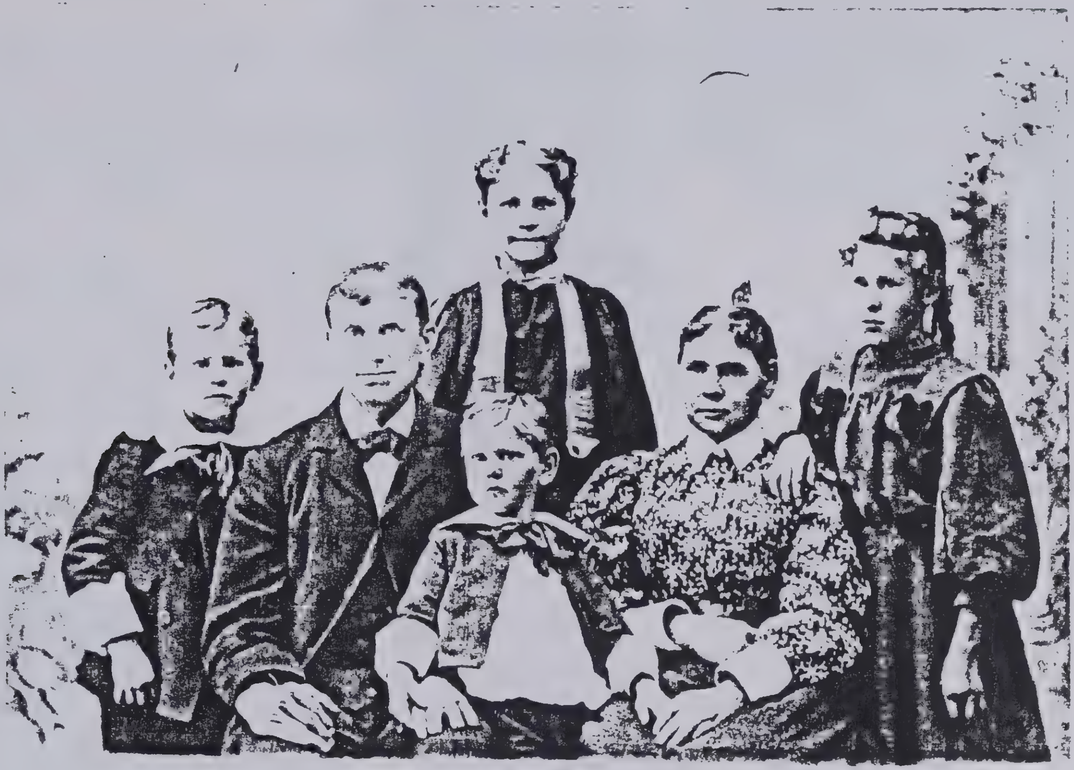
F. Alice Eldora Barnhart - b 14 Dec 1908. m 1st Andrew St. Amant who d 24 May 1935. m 2nd Charles Mayne (b 7 Nov 1909). Alice was alive and well in Sep 1995.
1. Mary Margaret Mayne - b 22 Dec 1943.
2. Marcia Kay Mayne - b 8 Oct 1946. m Louis DeFusco (b 14 Jan 1947).
    a. Bert Mayne DeFusco - b 25 Jan 19__.

XIII. ELI BARNHART - Born 20 April, 1861 in Union Twp., DeKalb Co. IN. Eli is the twin brother of Levi Barnhart. Eli died 10 Feb 1879 in Waterloo, IN.

**** XII, C, 3 Mrs Doris See, 213 E. 5th St., Auburn, IN 46706, and XII, E., Mrs V. O. Barnhart of Fort Wayne, IN, accumulated most of the data on the 13 children of John G. Barnhart and Eliza Slentz that is shown on the preceding pages. We are deeply indebted to these two ladies for their years of research!

The Barnhart family held an annual family Reunion in IN for many years. The first Reunion was held on 27 August, 1922. **John Hand Rockwell** gave the prayer at that 1st Reunion; John was married to Malinda Barnhart. In August, 1932, the report for that year reads, "**Han Rockwell** being the oldest one present being 86 years August 9. Born in 1802". Yes "Han" (Hand) was born on the 9th of August, and was 86 years old, but he was born in 1845! At the Reunion, everyone is "up-dated" as to who has passed on, who added grand-children, and generally what had transpired within each of the families in the past year. To the best of my knowledge, the Reunions were still being held up through the 1970s.

PHOTOS FROM THE PHOTO ALBUM OF MALINDA BARNHART ROCKWELL



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Leon	Levi	Nora	Ida	Mabel
1890-1969	1861-1930	1884-1942	1865-1962	1886-1964

Lawrence
1892- ?

LEVI BARNHART 1861-1930	IDA SMURR BARNHART 1865 - 1962

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ALBERT KELLER
? - 1963
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LEVI & ELI
BARNHART

MARY BARNHART EDWARDS
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MISCELLANEOUS BARNHART RECORDS FROM COLUMBIANA, COUNTY, OHIO

The following record entries from Columbiana County, OH, pertaining to "Barnharts" could not be specifically related to members of our Barnhart line. It is, however, possible that they are related and are included here to make them a matter of record.

BIRTHS

Marietta Barnhart and Wilber Geagley had Elsie Geagley b 6 Jun 1881 in Knox Twp.

Adam Barnhart and Catharine Hemphill had Emer and Emmert Barnhart (twins) on 23 Jul 1878 in West Twp. They also had Perry Alvin Barnhart on 26 Mar 1884 in Knox Twp.

John Barnhart and Mary Hively had Henrietta on 24 Aug 1872, and Jesse Barnhart on 13 Sep 1874, both in Knox Twp.

MARRIAGES

George Barnhart & Lettis A. Boothe, Book 5, pg 104
Adam Barnhart & Catharine Carmen m on 9 Nov 1873. Book 6, pg 376.
C. Barnhart Jr. & Mrs M. E. Stuart m on 6 Jun 1881. Book 11, pg 106.
Harvey Barnhart & Amanda Cain, Book 11, pg 288.

LAND RECORDS

John Barnhart bought land in Rng 5, Twp 17, Sec 32 in 1868 (Bk 82, pg 483)

John Barnhart bought land in Knox Twp, NE 1/4 of Sec 22, Twp 17, Rng 5, dated 20 Aug 1868 (Vol 82, pg 483).

John Barnhart and Maria Barnhart sell land in Knox Twp, Rng 5, Twp 17, Sec 32 on 30 Dec 1876 (Book 109, pg 500).

NOTES

ELIZA LOUISA SLENTZ BARNHART

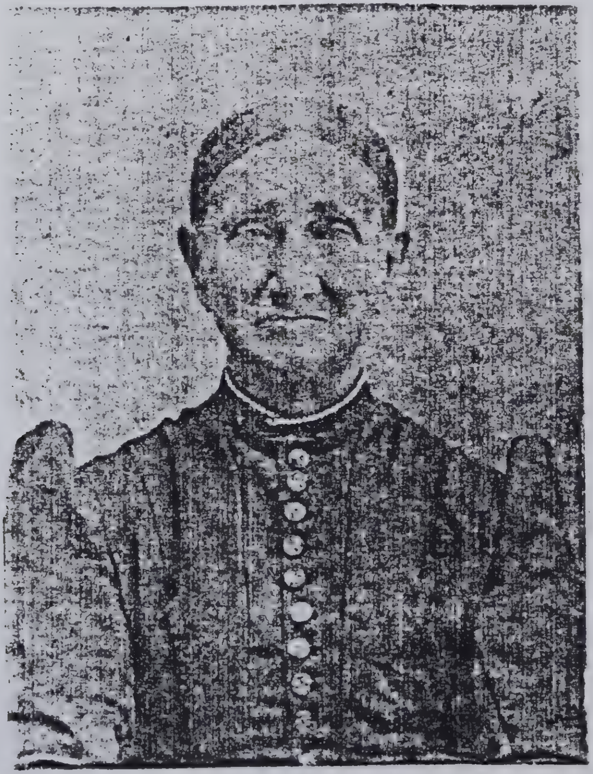
Eliza Slentz was born on the 5th of December, 1822 in Mount Pleasant Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of Mary and John Jacob Slentz; 12th of their 14 children.

When Eliza was an infant, the family moved from Adams Co., PA to Columbiana Co., Ohio. The trip was probably made by boat up the rivers to the vicinity of Youngstown, OH. From there the family traveled by ox team to their new home in Section 17 in West Township, which is about 6 1/2 miles to the west north-west of Hanovertown, OH. Eliza was raised on the family farm with her brothers and stisters who were living at home, or married and living on farms nearby. Down the road 2 miles lived the family of Peter Barnhart.

On the 15th of November, 1838, Eliza married young Peter Barnhart, the son of Peter Barnhart Sr. (see page 144 for data on Peter and his family). Their marriage is recorded in Vol 3, pg 201 of the Marriage Records of Columbiana County. It appears that this was a double wedding in that Eliza's sister, Lydia, married Cyrenias Bates on the same day. This was not unusual on the frontiers because of the shortage of ministers. Marriages and baptisms often had to wait until the traveling minister arrived in the neighborhood. Eliza was just a few weeks away from her 16th birthday when she married.

On the 19th of April, 1843, Eliza and John signed a Quit Claim of release on land her brother had owned prior to his death about 1840. Both Eliza and John came from large families and the family farm could not support all the young married couples. Between 1845 and 1850, many of their relatives and neighbors started heading for newly openned land in western Ohio and Indiana. In 1846 or 1847, John and Eliza joined the migration and settled in Union Township (now Grant Township), in DeKalb County, Indiana.

Their first home was a two room log cabin with a stone fireplace on what later became the Keller farm near Waterloo. Their 6th child was born in their new home on the 13th of July, 1848. It is known that the family was not prosperous and had to work hard to support themselves. Eliza often shared in the heavy manual labor demanded of the farm, and at the same time, bore and reared 13 children! Eliza's brother, Michael Slentz, lived about 4 doors from them in 1860, and about 10 doors away lived the Rockwells. During the Civil War, their 3rd son, Noah, was killed in action at Iuka, Mississippi as a member of Company I, 48th Indiana Infantry.



ELIZA SLENTZ BARNHART
(1822 - 1900)

Wife of John G. Barnhart
(page 144)
Daughter of John Jacob Slentz
(page 162)

Eliza's husband died on the 26th of February, 1876 at the age of 60. In the summer of 1880, Eliza was still living on the homestead with her son, Levi who was now 19. With them is Eliza Keller, her widowed daughter and her 4 year old granddaughter, Etta. In the Census records for 1880, Eliza states her place of birth as Pennsylvania (which is correct), and stated that her parents were born in Switzerland. This is probably a reflection of an old family story and may be true for Eliza's grandparents. We do know that most of the family were "Pennsylvania Dutch" and were of Swiss/German origin. Linnie Rockwell Shook, Eliza's granddaughter, has stated that her mother, Malinda Barnhart, Eliza's daughter, could speak German.

On 11 July, 1890, Eliza applied for and received a mother's pension of $12 per month based upon her son, Noah's death during the Civil War. Eliza signed with an "X". She lived on alone until her death on the 24th of January, 1900. Eliza's death certificate gives the cause of death as tuberculosis and old age after several years illness. She was buried in the Waterloo Cemetery on the 26th of January, 1900. Extensive searches have failed to locate her grave, but it probably is next to her husband, John Barnhart in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery.

Her Will is dated 17 November, 1899 and indicates that she still owned a 30 acre farm (Will Book 2 & 3, pg 373 DeKalb Co.). The copy on file is evidently a re-written copy with many words, names, and parts of sections omitted ("x"d out). It does mention giving $5.00 each to her children, Nancy, Malinda, and John, and a choice of beds and bedding to Eliza and Susan. At least 9 grandchildren are named and were to receive $1 each.

THE SLENTZ FAMILY LINE

The earliest records we can find for a "Slentz", by any of the multiple spellings of the name, in the Colonies, is the arrival on the 27th of August, 1733 of the ship "Eliza" in the port of Philadelphia. The "Eliza" had left from Rotterdam, Holland, one of the best seaports in northwestern Europe, and sailed across the English Channel to Dover. The passengers were almost exclusively German/Swiss Protestants trying to escape the religious persecution in Europe for the freedom offered by William Penn in the Colonies. They left Dover, sailed to the Colonies, and upon landing, the passengers were registered and took an oath of allegiance to the English Government. The "Eliza" left Dover with 58 males over the age of 16, 50 females over 16, and 81 children. When they arrived in the new land, 16 of the children had died during the voyage and 4 adults were very ill. This loss of life was, however, not unusual.

On board was Johan Henrick Stentz, a shoemaker, age 39, his wife, Maria Dorothea Bossert, and their 4 children: Anna Maria 11, Maria Catrina 7, Maria Dorotea 4, and Hans Jacob 1 1/2. Henrick and his family settled on Krentz Creek, west of the Susquehanna River on 240 acres in 1736 and proceeded to have one more son and 5 more daughters. Henrick died in 1758. It is possible that Henrick had a brother, Johann Jacob Slentz, who came at a later date and who died in 1741. This, incidentally, is the first example of the spelling of the name SLENTZ in the Colonies. Two other early settlers were the brothers, Philip Daniel Stentz (1735 - 1807) and Hans Jacob Stentz (1732 - 1784), sons of Johan Henrick Stentz (1690 - 1758) all of whom settled in Hellam Township, then, Lancaster Co., (later York Co.) Pennsylvania.

We can not prove relationship to any of these men, but mention them to show the typical migration pattern and the early arrival of the Stentz/Slentz name in the Colonies.

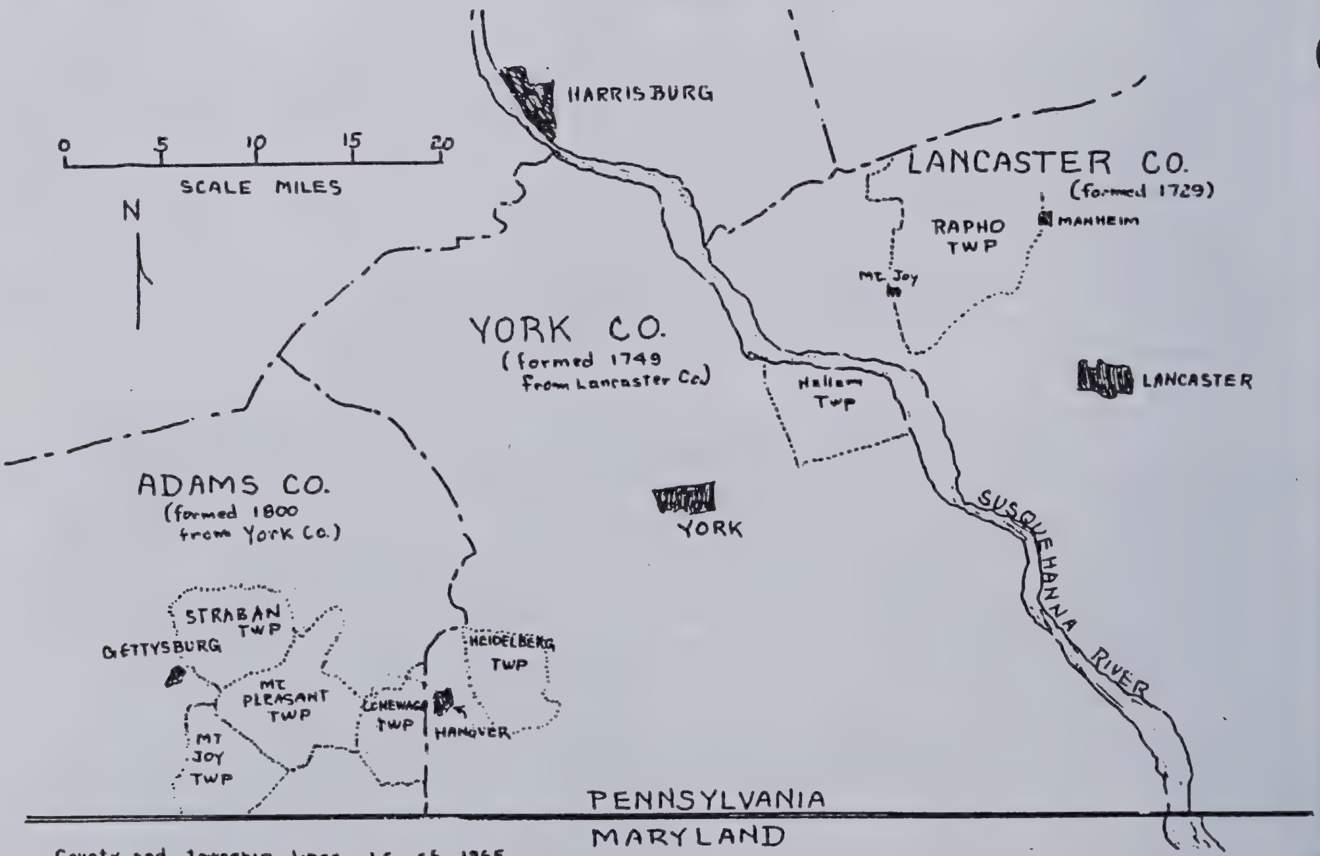
PHILIP SLENTZ

Philip Slentz is the earliest member of the Slentz line whom we can identify with a fair assurance of being correct.

Philip was born, probably, between the years 1728 to 1741. In the 6th Series, Pennsylvania Archives, Volume 2, pages 648 and 796, on the rolls of Captain John Wampler's Company of York County Militia, we find that Private Philip Slentz served from 7 December, 1781 until 7 February, 1782. This Company was assigned the mission of guarding British prisoner of war at Camp Security near Yorktown, Pennsylvania. His Revolutionary War service is also recorded by a rather unique note which is also found in the Archives:

> "February the 26th 1787"
> "Mr Skot Please to give Jacobe Trine the Bearer hereof the intrus of mine for going
> to Camp Security as I am sick and cant come Down I have no certificate frm my Captain
> I was out in the 7th Class under Captain Wampler if you can you will oblidg your obedient
> servant
> Philip Slentz"

This note was a request for the delayed payment for his service in 1781-1782. The men of a given district had an obligation to serve in the militia when called. This obligation included all men between the ages of 18 and 53 who were physically sound. The men were assigned to squads or companies by age and physical condition. A Private of the 1st Class was a young man in sound physical condition. A Private of the 8th Class was an old man, or a younger man with some disabilities. In case of a minor alarm, only the men of the 1st and 2nd class would be called for mobilization. In case of a very dire emergency, the men of all 8 class's would be called. Since Philip states that he was in the "7 Class" in his note written in 1787, my guess is that he was between 40 and 53 years of age in 1781; i.e., he would have been born 1728 - 1741.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Hallam Twp
LANCASTER
ADAMS CO.
(formed 1800 from York Co.)
YORK
SUSQUEHANNA RIVER
STRABAN TWP
GETTYSBURG
MT PLEASANT TWP
HEIDELBERG TWP
CONEWAGO TWP
HANOVER
MT JOY TWP
PENNSYLVANIA
MARYLAND

County and township lines as of 1965.

MAP OF THE AREAS IN PENNSYLVANIA WHERE THE VARIOUS "SLENTZ" FAMILIES SETTLED

Philip is listed in the Tax Lists from Mount Pleasant Township, York County for the following years:

1779 Philip Slench 128 acres 2 horses 3 cows
1780 Philip Slench 128 acres 2 horses 3 cows 18 pounds tax
1782 & 1783 Philip Slench 128 acres 3 horses 3 cows tax 8 pounds, 5 shillings, 2 pence
1798 Philip Stence 1 dwelling, 2 acres, 1 story 4 windows, 12 lights 325 valuation
119 acres 714 valuation
1799 Philip Slintz assessed valuation 1,133

From the above we see that Philip owned two plots of land, one of 2 acres where his home was located, and one of 119-128 acres which was probably farm land and pasture. The difference in acreage is probably due to a requirement for an easement for roads. We also find Philip listed in the US Census records:

1790 Census Mt Pleasant Two, York County, pg 290
Philip Slentz 1 male over 16, 2 males under 16, 1 female
1800 Census Mt Pleasant Twp., Adams County, page 501, line 14.
Philip Slence 1 male over 45, 1 female 10-16, 1 female over 45

Note that the County in which Philip is listed changed names between 1790 and 1800; Philip did not move, Adams County was newly formed from the old York County. Again, it should be noted that these Census records list all persons living in the household. Note that the "2 Males under 16" form the 1790 Census are missing by 1800, and a "female 10-16" appears. These young persons could have been grandchildren or even hired help.

We have several alternatives as to the name of Philip's wife:

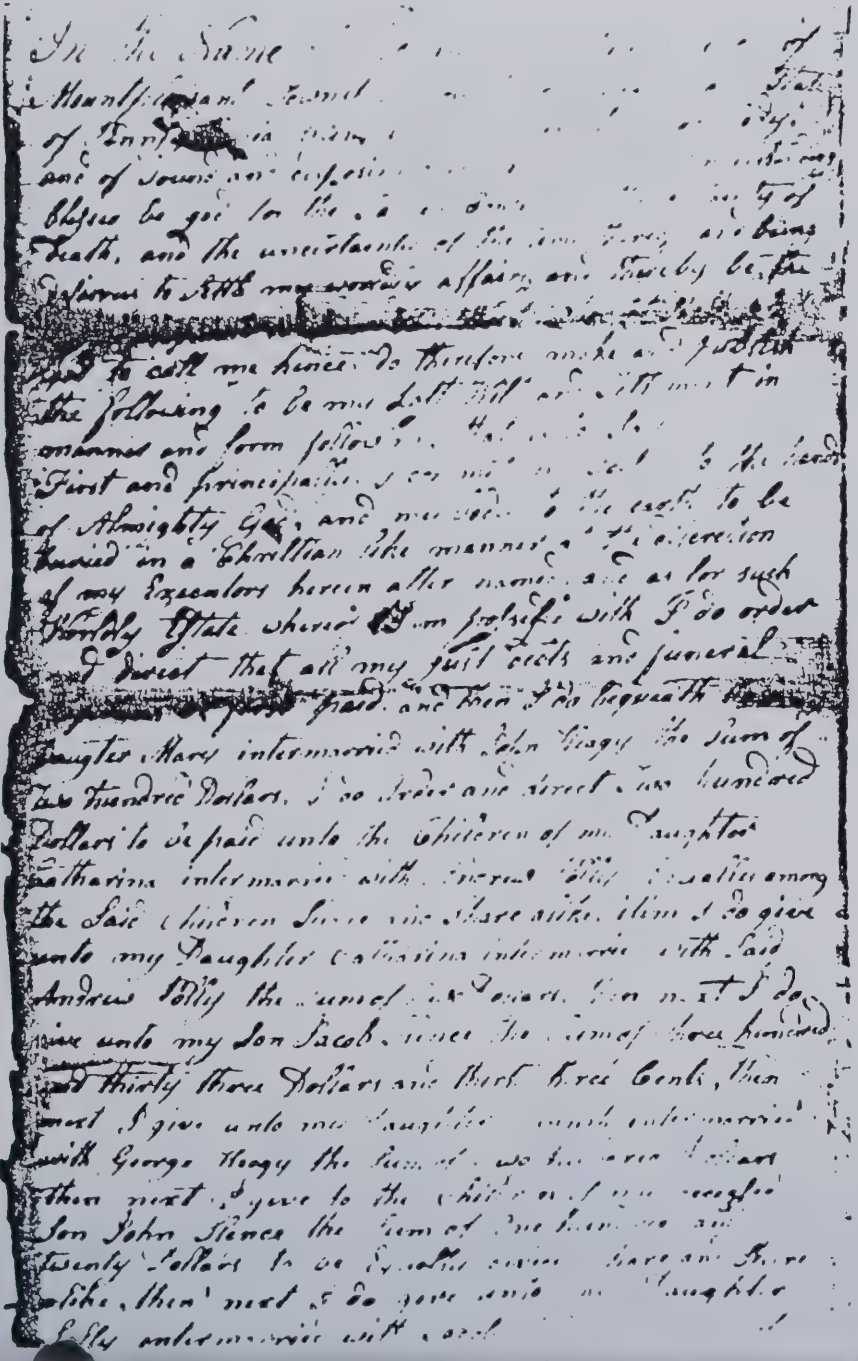
1. Mr. Larry Baker, a noted genealogist on the Slentz family, states Philip's 1st wife was named Nancy who was born c1749. His 2nd wife was Bridget/Bridgitta Melon (born 1732 and died 31 Jan 1806) married on 24 Jan 1754 in Hanover, PA. Bridget was buried in St. Marks' Church.
2. Birth and baptismal records for their son, John Jacob Slentz, state his mother was Catharina/Cristina. See the records shown in the biography of John Jacob Slentz on the following pages. In St. Mark's Church there is a Catherine Slentz recorded as born in 1768 and died 4 Nov 1804. Note that Philip named one daughter Catharina, probably after her mother.

It is very possible that Philip was married several times. I am inclined to believe Catharina is the mother of John Jacob Slentz, the next generation of our Slentz family. Note that there is about a 10 year "gap" between the years of birth of Philip's first 2 children and their 3rd child, John Jacob. This may be an indication of the death of his first wife and delayed re-marriage. Philip's last wife pre-deceased Philip inasmuch as she is not mentioned in his Will dated February 3rd, 1814.

Philip is not listed in the 1810 Census, but is probably living with his son, Jacob, since there are 2 males over 45 of age listed in Jacob's household. Philip's wife could not be identified and was probably deceased.

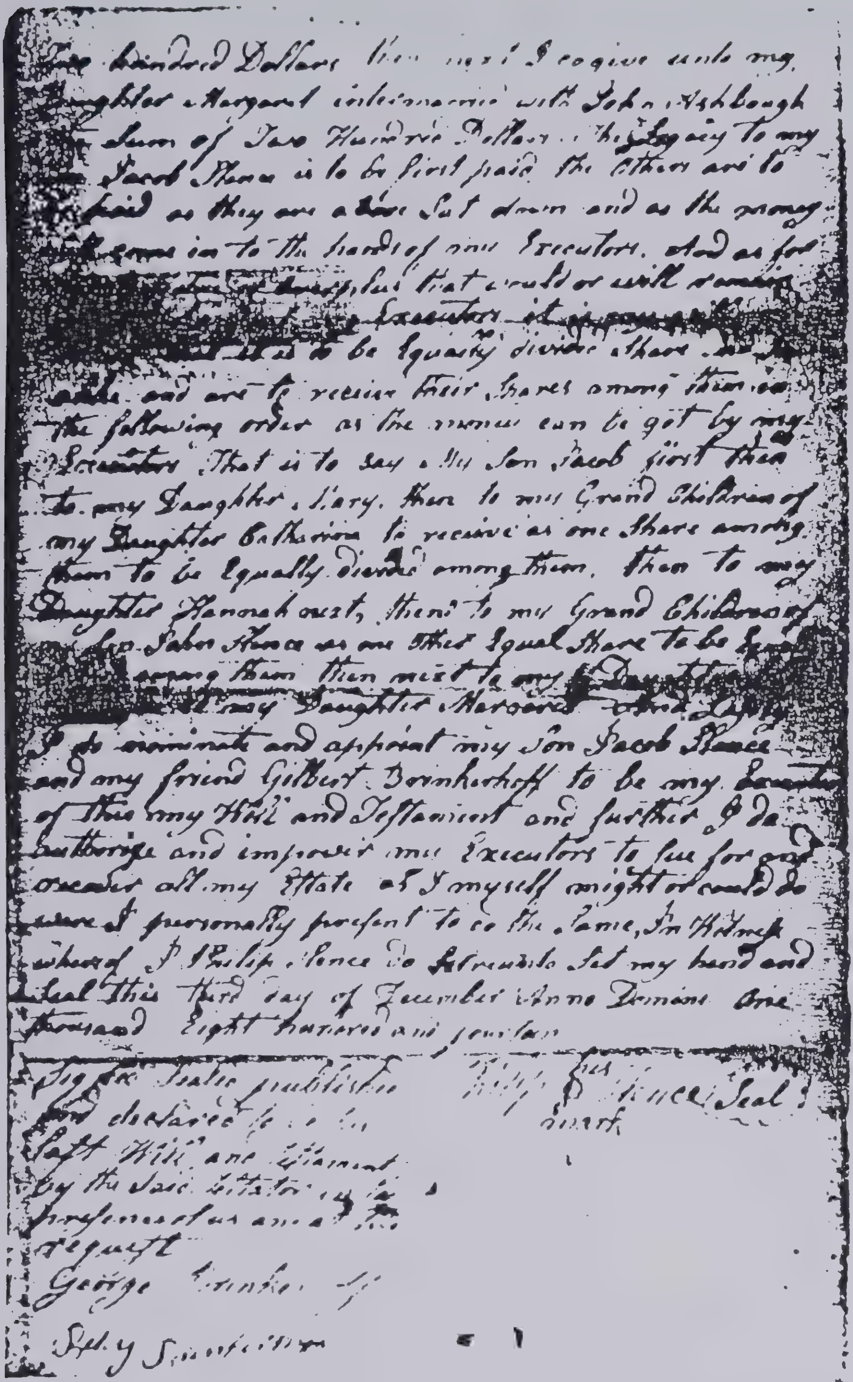
The last record of Philip is his Last Will and Testament, dated February 3rd, 1814. This Will was presented to the Court on 12 February, 1816, which would indicate that Philip died shortly before the presentation date, i.e. December 1815 or January 1816. The Will is shown on the following pages names his 7 children and the amount each is to receive, and names his son, Jacob and his friend, Gilbert Brinkerhoff as Executors. The estate was finally settled on 16 September, 1824 at Gettysburg, when a list of personal property was submitted:

"I corner cupboard, 1 desk, --- 1 trunnel bed and bedding, --- 1 candle stand, 1 large kettle, 1 lot earthen ware, 1 lot augers & dwg knife, 2 shisals spoke, 1 claw & hammer, 1 slop bowl, --- 2 grind stone, ---- ", etc., etc. The real estate was not mentioned and was probably sold prior to this settlement date.



THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF PHILIP SLENTZ 3 DEC., 1814

In the name of GOD Amen, I Philip Slence of Mount Pleasant township, County of Adams, the State of Pennsylvania being in my usual health of body and of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding blessed be to GOD for the same, considering the uncertainty of health and the uncertainty of time thereof and being desirious to settle my worldly affairs and thereby by the XXXXXX this world then it will please GOD to call me hence, do therefore make and publish the following to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors herinafter named, and as for such worldly estate whereof I am possessed with I do order and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid and then I do bequeath unto my daughter Mary intermarried with John Heagy the sum of two hundred dollars. I do order and direct two hundred dollars to be paid unto the children of my daughter Catharina intermarried with Andrew Polly equally among the said children share and share alike. Item, I do give unto my daughter Catharina intermarred with Andrew Polly the sum of two dollars, then next I do give unto my son Jacob Slence the sum of three hundred and thirty three dollars and thirty three cents, then I next give unto my daughter Hannah intermarried with George Heagy the sum of two hundred dollars and then next I give to the children of my deceased son John Slence the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars to be equally divided share and share alike, then next I do give to unto my daughter Sally intermarried



Two hundred Dollars then next I do give unto my
Daughter Margaret intermarried with John Ashbough
the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars. The Legacy to my
son Jacob Slence is to be first paid the others are to
be paid as they are above Set down and as the money
will come in to the hands of my Executors. And as for
[illegible] surplus that would or will remain
[illegible] Executors it [illegible]
[illegible] to be Equally divided Share and
alike and are to receive their Shares among them in
the following order as the money can be got by my
Executors That is to say My Son Jacob first then
to my Daughter Mary. then to my Grand Children of
my Daughter Catharina to receive as one Share among
them to be Equally divided among them. then to my
Daughter Hannah next, then to my Grand Children of
my son John Slence as one other Equal Share to be Equally
divided among them then next to my Daughter
[illegible] my Daughter Margaret And lastly
I do nominate and appoint my Son Jacob Slence
and my friend Gilbert Brinkerhoff to be my Executors
of this my Will and Testament and further I do
authorize and impower my Executors to sue for and
recover all my Estate as I myself might or could do
were I personally present to do the same, In Witness
whereof I Philip Slence do hereunto Set my hand and
Seal this third day of December Anno Domini One
thousand Eight hundred and fourteen

Signed Sealed published
and declared to be his
last Will and Testament
by the said Testator in the
presence of us and at his
request
George Brinkerhoff
Riley Prisserhoffer

Philip his Slence Seal
mark

with Jacob Trine the sum of two hundred dollars then next I give unto my daughter Margaret intermarried with John Ashbough the sum of two hundred dollars. The legacy to my son Jacob Slence is to be first paid the others are to be paid as they are alive sat down and as the money will come into the hands of my Executor, and as far as any residue or surplus that would or will remain xxxxxxx my Executor xxxxxxx that it will be equally divided share and share alike and are to receive their shares among them in the following order or as the money can be got by my Executors that is to say my son Jacob first then my daughter Mary, then to my grandchildren of my daughter Catharina to receive as one share among them to be equally divided among them. Then to my daughter Hannah next, then to my grandchildren of my son John Slence as one other equal share to be equally divided among them then next to my daughter Sally and to my daughter Margaret and lastly I do nominate and appoint my son Jacob Slence and my friend Gilbert Brinkerhoff to be my Executor of this my will and testament and I do authorize and empower my Executors to sue for and recover all my estate as I might or could do were I personally present to do the same, In witness whereof I Philip Slence do hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of December Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

PHILIP SLENCE (Seal)
X
his mark

To be sealed published
and declared to be his
last will and testament
by the Testator in the presence
of us and at his request.

George Brinkerhoff

Riley Prisserhoffer

THE CHILDREN OF PHILIP SLENTZ

I. MARY SLENTZ - born . Married John Foulks Heagy.

II. CATHARINA SLENTZ - born c1750. Married Andrew Polly. Died 25 Sep 1823. They had children, names unknown.

III. JOHN JACOB SLENTZ - born 21 Jan 1759. Married Mary ________. Moved to Columbiana Co., Ohio about 1825. Died about July 1840. Jacob is the next generation of our Slentz family.

IV. HANNAH SLENTZ - born 14 Oct 1760. Married George Heagy. Died 15 Nov 1838.

V. JOHN SLENTZ - born 1762. Marrried Catharine _______. Purchased a farm in Mt. Joy Township from his brothers-in-law, John and George Heagy on 3 Feb 1789. John pre-deceased his father and John's Will was dated 24 May 1796 and probated 3 April 1798. The Will names his brother, Jacob, and brother-in-law, George Heagy as Executors. The Will and other court documents give an accounting of John's estate and guardianship for his children. Catharine was living in 1796.

A. Philip Slentz - b c1783.
B. John Slentz - b c1785.
C. Elizabeth Slentz - b c1786
D. Biddy Slentz - b c1788.
E, Jacob Slentz - b c1789.

VI. SALLY SLENTZ - born . Married Jacob Trine. Listed in the 1798 tax lists of McSherrytown, York County, PA, with a 2 acre lot with a 20' x 19' wood home, and a 3 acre lot with a 16' x 20' barn.

VII. MARGARET SLENTZ - born . Married John Ashbough.

JOHN JACOB SLENTZ

Note: In typical German fashion, John Jacob Slentz, is referred to by his middle name, Jacob, in most records and references.

There are two records of the birth of John Jacob Slentz: -

"John Jacob Schlentz   Parents: Philip   Sponsors: Jacob Schub
Brn 21 Jan 1759   Catharina   Anna Barbara"
(Historical Society of York County #11387)

"John Jacob Schlentz   Parents: Philip   Witness: Michael Fisher
Bap 21 Jan 1759   Cristina   wife Clara"
(Lischy's Records. Lischy was an itinerant clergyman)

We have found no specific record of Jacob's service during the American Revolution (1775-1783). He would have been in his late teens and early twenties during this period and would have been assigned to one of the 8 battalions of York County Militia that would have existed during this period. We do know that in 1782, there were 4,621 men in these units. A "Jacob Slance" served in Captain Ephrium Pennington's Company of York County Militia between 9 December, 1781 and 9 February 1782 and is listed on the payrolls for those dates. This might be our Jacob, but we have no proof.

In 1782 we find Jacob,Slench, listed in Mt. Pleasant Township on the Tax Lists for that year. Jacob is listed as having 1 horse and was assessed 3 pounds. Philip Slench is listed near Jacob.

In the 1790 Census, there is a "John Slentz" listed on page 286, not far from "Philip Slentz"; this is probably son and father. This John Slentz is listed as one male over 16, 2 males under 16, and one female. This particular Census is for York County, but includes 9 Townships including Mount Pleasant, which is where Philip and John Jacob Slentz lived.

From the 1790 Census, we know that Jacob was married and had 2 sons. Further research indicates that Jacob was married about 1781 when he was about 22 years old. We believe his first wife was named Catherine, whom Slentz researchers believe was b c1765 and died about 1795, or 4 Nov, 1804 (the 1795 date is probably more correct). Jacob's 2nd wife was named Mary, maiden name unknown. It is believed that Mary was born c1779 in PA, and died in 1859 in DeKalb Co., IN.

On 10 March, 1792, "Jacob Slinch" purchased a lot in Mount Pleasant Twp., from Lucus Brinkerhoff for "one hundred and fifty acres and a quarter of an acre" for "five hundred and twenty five pounds lawful currency of the State of Pennsylvania." Lucus Brinkerhoff is probably a member of the same Brinkerhoff family mentioned as an Executor in Philip Slentz's Will. A strange thing about this land sale is that "Jacob Slinch" is mentioned multiple times as the purchaser of the property, but the document is signed with an "X"", "Philip Slentz, his mark". Is this "Daddy" helping his son purchase property?

"Jacob Slence" is listed in the 1800 Census for Mt. Pleasant Twp., York County, on page 501, line 2 (Philip Slence is on line 14): - the family has now apparently grown to 8 children.
3 males -10, 2 males 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 3 females under 10, 1 female 26-45.

During the War of 1812, the British advanced on Baltimore and the Pennsylvania Militia was called into service. A Pvt. Jacob Slentz is shown on pay records of 29 Mar 1813, and 29 Feb 1814, and a Cpl. Jacob Slents is shown on 15 and 22 Oct, 1814. Jacob's unit was commanded by Capt. John Blair and was one of two Companies formed in Hanover, PA.. Again, we are quite sure that this is our Jacob Slentz, but have no positive proof.

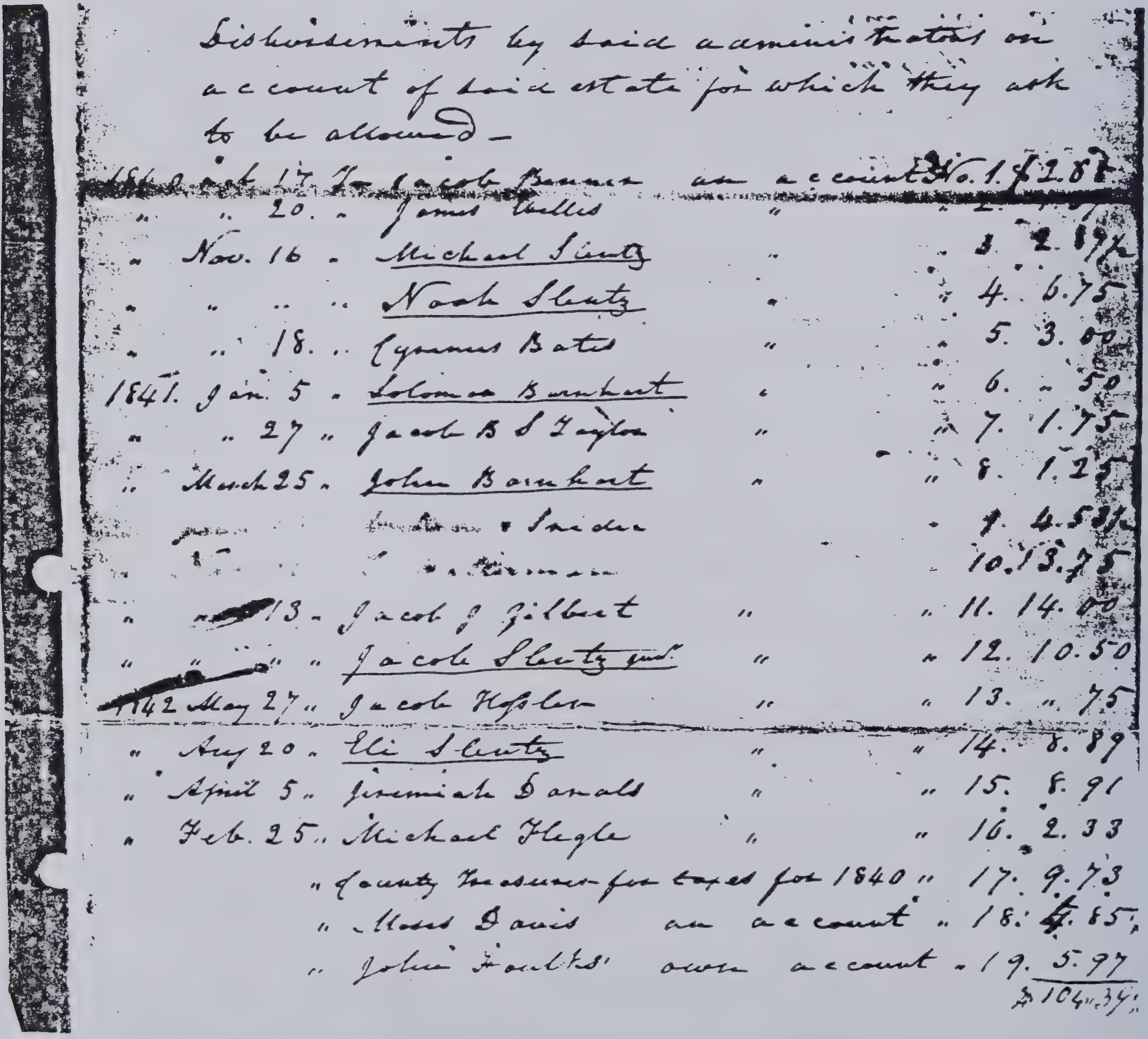
In the 1810 Census, Jacob "Slance" is shown on page 49 in Mt. Pleasant Twp, Adam Co., with the following persons in his household:
3 males -10 1 male 16-25 4 female -10 1 female 26-45
1 male 10-16 2 male 45+ 1 female 10-16
The two males "45+", could be Jacob and his widowed father, Philip. The female 26-45, is probably Jacob's younger 2nd wife, Mary.

The only "Jacob Slentz" in the 1820 Census for Pennsylvania is listed on page 90 of Straban Twp., Adams County. It is possible that this is our Jacob and they had moved from Mt. Pleasant Twp., York Co.: 1 male 45+ 1 female 26-45 2 females 10-16

There is a note in the abstracts from the Republican Compiler for Adams County, Pennsylvania 1831-1851, page 183, that our Jacob Slentz "removed from Adams County and established his residence in Columbiana County, Ohio". We could find no families by the name of Slentz in the 1820 Census of Ohio, but did find them in the 1830 Census of Columbiana County, West Township, Ohio, as follows:
pg. 520 Jacob Slance 1 male -5, 1 m 5-10, 1 m 15-20, 1 m 20-30, 1 m 70-80,
2 f 5-10, 1 f 10-15, 2 f 15-20, 1 f 20-30, 1 f 40-50
This is probably Jacob (age 70-80) and his wife (age 40-50), and one of their married children and their children. On page 515 of this Census, we find Jacob Slance (Jr), Henry Slance, and Abner Slance listed; sons of Jacob Sr. Jacob Barnhart is shown living next door to Jacob Slance (Jr). From this Census, we know that Jacob and several of his grown children moved to Columbiana Co, OH sometime between 1820 and 1830, and the following land transactions show they were there prior to 1826.

On 11 Nov, 1826, Jacob Sr. sold land to his son, Jacob Jr, in Section 17 of West Township (Vol 10, pg 595, Columbiana Co. Deeds). On the 7th of May 1829, Jacob and Mary, his wife, sold land in Section to a Samuel Hiner (Vol 12, pg 357).

Jacob died 21 Jul. 1840 in New Chambersburg, West Township, and John Foulks and Henry Slentz were appointed Administrators for his estate on 17 Aug, 1840. John Foulks was Jacob's son-in-law, married to Jacob's daughter, Mary. The total estate amounted to $764.38.5, evidently all in goods and personal property, as there is no mention of any land. Mary collected $313.70 and Eli , her son, $12.00. After all other debts were paid, including $5.00 for a coffin, the estate was settled in October 1842. The balance of the money was evidently split up between the widow, Mary, and the children, though there is no specific mention of it. Others who were paid, evidently for services to the estate, were: Michael Slentz, Noah Slentz, Jacob Slentz Jr., and Eli Slentz, all sons of Jacob and Mary. **John Barnhart**, a son-in-law, and his brother, Soloman Barnhart, are also mentioned.



Disbursements by said administrators on account of said estate for which they ask to be allowed –

1840 Oct. 17	To Jacob Bunner	on account	No. 1	$2.87
" " 20.	" James Wallis	"	" 2.	[illegible]
" Nov. 16	" Michael Slentz	"	" 3.	2.19½
" " "	" Noah Slentz	"	" 4.	6.75
" " 18.	" Cyrenus Bates	"	" 5.	3.00
1841. Jan. 5	" Soloman Barnhart	"	" 6.	" 50
" " 27	" Jacob B S Taylor	"	" 7.	1.75
" March 25	" John Barnhart	"	" 8.	1.25
[illegible]	[illegible] & Snider		" 9.	4.53½
[illegible]	[illegible] Hartman		" 10.	13.75
" " 13	" Jacob J Gilbert	"	" 11.	14.00
" " "	" Jacob Slentz Jun.	"	" 12.	10.50
1842 May 27	" Jacob Hosler	"	" 13.	" 75
" Aug 20	" Eli Slentz	"	" 14.	8.89
" April 5	" Jeremiah Daniels	"	" 15.	8.91
" Feb. 25	" Michael Flegle	"	" 16.	2.33
	" County Treasurer for taxes for 1840	"	" 17.	9.73
	" Moses Davis	on account	" 18.	4.85
	" John Foulks'	own account	" 19.	5.97
				$104.34

A PART OF THE FIRST OF 5 PAGES SUBMITTED BY THE ADMINISTRATORS OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ'S ESTATE, ENUMERATING THE AMOUNTS PAID TO VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS.

All factors considered, this was not a small estate, and indicates that Jacob was, financially, about lower middle class. He had notes outstanding and a fair size crop of wheat, 122 bushels valued at 52 cents per bushel. Further court records state that all of Jacob's children were over 15 years of age, except Noah, who had a court appointed, guardian, Michael Flegle, on 24 Nov, 1840. A civil case appears on the books (Vol 36, pg 763) in March, 1842, when John Slentz brought suit against Mary Slentz et al. A Deed to a lawyer is signed by Henry, Eli, Andrew, Michael, Abner and Jacob Slentz. The details of the case are not given, nor its outcome. The dispute was probably over the settlement of the land left by Jacob Sr.

Mary, Jacob's widow, is shown in the 1850 Census living next door to her son, Andrew, and his family in Columbiana County. In this Census, Mary is shown as being born in Pennsylvania, "age 71", i.e. born c1779. This generally matches her age in previous Census records, which indicated she was born between 1780 and 1790.

6 of Mary's children moved to DeKalb County, Indiana and Mary moved there between 1850 and 1856. She evidently became ill in the fall of 1856, and wrote out her Last Will and Testament on 20 October, 1856 (DeKalb County Will Book 1, pg 69). In her Will she gives equal shares of her estate to her named children: Barbara, Henry, Eli, Margaretta, Nancy, Andrew, Lydia, Michael, Heddy, Eliza, and Noah. She left $1 to her son, Abner. I am inclined to believe that Mary moved to DeKalb County with her son , Abner, and possibly Abner acquired some of Mary's property (his share), prior to the time she wrote her Will. Abner purchased property in DeKalb County in 1854 from an Austin family; Mary may have helped with this purchase. The Will was probated on 15 February, 1859, which indicates that Mary died sometime between 20 October, 1856 and 15 February, 1859. We have not located Mary's place of burial, but can assume it was in DeKalb County, possibly in the Waterloo Memorial Cemetery.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ

There is some confusion over the number of children John Jacob Slentz fathered. We are quite sure he was married twice: 1st to, we believe, Catherine (b c1765 - d c1795), and 2nd to Mary (b 1779 - d 1859). Some Slentz researchers state that he had as many as 12 children from his first marriage, and 12 from his 2nd marriage to Mary. Jacob and Mary's 12 children are mentioned by name in her Will, so we are sure these are accurately recorded. The problem is identifying Jacob and Catherine's children! **NOTE: it is possible that we have "scrambled" TWO John/and or/Jacob Slentz individuals and combined two individuals with 2 marriages into ONE individual.**

The following children are attributed to Jacob's first marriage to Catherine:

I. PHILIP SLENTZ - b 9 Jan 1787.
II. EDMUND SLENTZ - b
III. SARAH SLENTZ - b . m 24 Mar 1808 to Alexander McKeelop.
IV. JOHN SLENTZ - b . m Mary Sanor.
V. JACOB SLENTZ JR. - b c1795 (age 60 Mar 1855). Jacob served in the War of 1812 as the 4th Corporal in Capt George Frysinger's Company of Infantry in the 3rd Regiment of Pennsylvania Militia. He was drafted on 1 Nov 1814 and marched to the defense of Baltimore. Since the British had evacuated Baltimore by the time Jacob's unit arrived, he was discharged there on 5 Dec, 1814. Jacob's military service record may be found in file BLWT 7799-120-500 in the National Archives.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ continued:

Jacob Slentz's orders to report for duty state:

> "Sir - Take note that you are hereby Required, personally or by a Sufficient Substituer, to apear as a Soldier properly armed and equipped for Service, at Ten o'clock at M on Tuesday the 1st day of Novem next, on the public Square, in the Town of Hanover to March emediately."

Jacob married Nancy Carr who was apparently born in Baltimore, MD in 1802, and moved from York County to Columbiana Co., Ohio. On the 11th of November, 1826, Jacob Jr purchased land from his father, Jacob Sr., in Section 17 of West Township (see the map on page 141). They later moved to New Franklin Village, Stark Co., OH. Jacob entered a land claim on 28 Sep 1850 based upon his service in the War of 1812, and was awarded 40 acres of land. On a later application, 17 Mar 1855, he was awarded an additional warrant for 120 acres. Jacob's 1st wife, Nancy, evidently died, and Jacob remarried to Maria Sanders who is mentioned in the settlement of Jacob's estate. On 18 Dec 1858, Jacob is shown as the administrator of the estate of Henry Hohn, deceased, of Columbiana Co., for 100 acres of land previously owned by Frederick Schullenberger, the father of the wife of Eli Slentz, Jacob's half brother. Jacob probably died in 1863 as his estate was probated on 11 Nov 1863 in Stark Co., OH.

A. James Slentz - b 21 Dec 1821 in Adams Co., PA. m Elizabeth Snider in Stark Co., OH. A wagon maker or cooper. Elizabeth was b c1823 in Ohio. James d prior to 21 Apr 1886 in Stark Co.
   1850 Census, West Twp, Columbiana Co., OH pg 895.
   7 Children: Eleanor T b c1843, Allurts b c1845, Parmelia b c1846, Ruth E b c1849, Nancy, Orville L. and Charles Slentz.
B. Jacob Slentz - b c1826.
C. John Slentz - b c1828.
D. Elizabeth Slentz - b c1831.
E. Mary Ann Slentz - b c1834. m Hahn.
F. William Slentz - b
G. Catharine Slentz - b

VI. JOSEPH SLENTZ - b m Elizabeth ___________.
VII. BRIDGET SLENTZ - b m Henry Saunders
VIII. CATHERINE SLENTZ - b m Thomas W. Black.
IX. MARY SLENTZ - b m John Foulks
X. DAVE SLENTZ - b
XI. THEODORA SLENTZ - b
XII. (?) SLENTZ - b

The following children are from John Jacob Slentz's 2nd marriage to Mary, as proven by Mary's Will:

I. BARBARA SLENTZ - b . m Isaac Fikas and lived in Wayne Co., OH.

II. HENRY SLENTZ - b 7 Dec 1806 in PA. m Lydia Keigler/Kugler/Cooglar (b 1811 - d 21 Oct 1860) on 11 Sep 1828 (Bk 2, pg 321 Columbiana Co.). Henry and Lydia signed a quit claim dated 14 Aug 1844 to land his father owned in favor of John Faulks. They later sold 50 acres of land to Lewis McCoy located in the SW corner of Section 17, on 6 Sep 1848 in Columbiana Co. Between 1848 and 1850, they moved to Franklin Township, DeKalb Co., IN. Henry was a trustee for DeKalb Co prior to 1860 and a Justice of the Peace in 1865. Henry died on 19 Mar 1879 and his estate was probated in DeKalb Co.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ & MARY continued:

1830 Census, West Two, Columbiana Co., OH pg 515
1840 Census, West Twp, Columbiana Co., OH pg 4
1850 Census, Franklin Twp, DeKalb Co, IN
1860 Census, Franklin Twp, DeKalb Co, IN

A. Mary Slentz - b c1830. m Fred M. Oberlin (b 1836) in Sep 1851. See "History of DeKalb Co", pg 1007.
7 Children: Lovina, Sarah E., Melinda, Jermiah, and Harriet Oberlin. 2 names unknown.

B. Sarah Slentz - b . m John C. Meyers on 12 Aug 1851 in DeKalb Co. John was a Civil War vet of Co A, 129th Indiana Infantry. They are mentioned in "The History of North East Indiana", pg 396 and 630.
4 Children: Nancy Jane Meyers m Charles Culbertson, 3 children: James H., Ella D, & Sarah E.Culbertson.
Hannah Meyers m Peter Dirrim on 4 Feb 1872, 3 children: Cyrus B., Franklin E, & Berton Dirrim.
Benjamin Meyers m Martha Dirrim, 3 children: Eva, Isaac, and Sarah E. Meyers.
Ellen Meyers m Robert C. Platt, 1 child: Byron Platt.

C. Jacob Slentz - b 16 Jul 1833 in OH. m Harriet Pollard (b 1 Mar 1843 - d 15 Mar 1926, dau of John & Catherine Day Pollard) on 29 Apr 1860. (2 Slentz brothers, Jacob and John, married 2 Pollard sisters, Harriet and Emily). Jacob enlisted in Co F, 44th Regt Ind Vol on 3 Oct 1862. He was taken prisoner in the Battle of Stones River, TN and held in the Libby Prison for 2 months. He was discharged on 14 Sep 1865 in Nashville, TN. Harriet's sister, Mary, lived with them in 1860. Jacob d in Hamilton, IN on 31 May 1912. Jacob and Harriet are buried in the Hamilton Cemetery. Listed in the 1860, 1870, 1880 & 1900 Census of Franklin Twp., DeKalb Co., IN.
**** 12 Children: Eunice, Doris J. b c1866, Adelade b c1868, Arthur E. b Jan 1870- d1937, Clara B. b c1872, Err b Jan 1874, Edith, and Myrtle Slentz b Apr 1881.(+ 4 d young)

D. Catherine Slentz - b c1835. m William Brown on 2 Feb 1854. d 24 Oct 1901.

E. John C. Slentz - b 9 Jan 1839 in OH. Served in the Civil War in Co F, 44th Indiana Inf. m Emily Pollard (b 23 Sep 1847 - d 17 Dec 1921) on 18 Apr 1865. Shown in the 1870 and 1900 Census of Franklin Twp., DeKalb Co., IN. John died 20 Aug 1908 and buried in the Hamilton Cemetery in Hamilton, IN.
5 Children: Sylvinus b 1868, Etta, Jurd, Orin b Sep 1870, Bick b Dec 1877, and an infant son deceased young. All children deceased by 1908 except Bick.

F. Margaret Slentz - b c1840 in Ohio. m John H. Smith (b 20 Sep 1839 Columbiana Co) on 7 Oct 1859/60. John was a Civil War Vet of Co F, 44th Ind. Inf. John & Margaret are mentioned in "History of DeKalb Co.", pg 633.
1 Child: Alice Ida Smith who died at 2 years of age.

G. Henry Slentz Jr. - b 6 May 1843 in Columbiana Co. Enlisted and served with his brother, Jacob in Co F, 44th Ind. Inf on 3 Oct 1862. Discharged on 14 Sep 1865 in Nashville, TN. m Mary Bontrager on 14 Sep 1867 in Franklin Twp. Lived in Eaton Rapids, MI from 1900 until his death 24 Feb 1921. (Pension Claim #SC 128855).
1880 Census Franklin Twp., DeKalb Co., IN pg 11
2 Children: Idalia b 21 Jun 1868, and, Jessee Slentz b 30 Oct 1870 i Eddy Cem, north of Butler, IN.

H. George Slentz - b c1845 in IN. m Mary Cathrine Searfoss. d c1886.

I. Lydia Ann Slentz - b c1847 in IN. m John M. Ridge on 13 Dec 1868.

J. Martha "Mattie" Slentz - b 6 May 1850 in IN. m 10 Oct 1868 to Sammuel Oberlin who was b c1846.
1870 Census, Franklin Twp, DeKalb Co., IN pg 16.
1 Child: Miles Oberlin - b Mar 1870.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ & MARY continued:

K. Rachel Slentz - b May 1854 in IN. Shown in the 1870 Census living with her father and sister Martha, and in the 1880 Census with her sister, Martha Oberlin. In 1900 she is listed in the family of Benjamin Myers. Rachel evidently was of "unsound mind" and Jacob Slentz, her brother, was appointed her guardian in 1886. d 21 Jul 1928 and i Hamilton, IN.

III. ABNER SLENTZ - b c1809 in PA. m Christina Kink on 17 Aug 1828 in Lisbon, OH (Bk 2, pg 324 Columbiana Co Marriages). Christina b c1808 in PA. Christina and Abner gave a Deed of Release to Jacob Slentz Jr dated 19 Jun 1831 for land in Sec 3 of West Twp. (Vol 13, pg 709). They also sold land to John Faulks in Sec 17, West Twp. (Vol 30, pg 597). Christina d 10 Feb 1862. Abner was a member of the Board of Trustees of Union Twp, DeKalb Co. sometime between 1850 and 1860.
1830 Census, West Twp., Columbiana Co., OH, pg 515.
1850 Census, Knox Twp., Columbiana Co. OH, family 324.

A. Rachel A. Slentz - b c1832.

**** B. Elias Slentz - b c1834. m Sarah J. Clark on 28 Oct 1855 in DeKalb Co. The moved to Davis Co., MO.

C. Delilah Slentz - b c1836. m John Kugler on 27 Nov 1853 in DeKalb Co. 8 Children.

D. George Washington "Wash" Slentz - b 14 May 1837. m Elizabeth Ann Flora on 2 May 1858 in DeKalb Co. to Davis Co., MO. d 8 Mar 1900.
7 Children: Isibella - b 4 Feb 1859 - d 22 May 1859. Mary b 26 Aug 1861 - d 7 Dec 1864. Ulysses Grant - b 29 Sep 1865. Olive b 24 Oct 1867, m John Coberly. Frances - b 10 Aug 1870 - d 18 Apr 1871. Charles - b 30 Mar 1872. Cora - b 22 Oct 1874, m Aaron Dunn.

E. William H. Slentz - b c1839. m Margaret Houlton (b c1836) on 15 Nov 1860 in DeKalb Co. Margaret was supposedly the first white child born in DeKalb Co. d 5 Mar 1874.
3 Children:

F. John Kennedy Slentz - b Aug 1842. John was a Civil War Vet serving in Co H of the 129th Inf. m Rose Ann Bowtranger/Bontriger. They lived in Davis Co., MO. John played the fiddle which is still in the family.
7 Children: Mary Ann - b 18 Dec 1863, m John Brannen, lived in Chula, MO. Thomas Wesley - b 16 Jul 1866. Sarah - b Jan 1868. Rose - b 16 Jun 1875, m Bruce Closter. Guy B. - b 13 Oct 1879, went to TX. Oliver Clarence - b 18 Oct 1881, m Della Hankey. Harrey E. - b 18 Jun 1882, served 20 years in the Army.

G. Nancy Slentz - b c1843. m Lewis Dunn on 22 Oct 1865 in DeKalb Co. The wedding was performed by her uncle, Henry Slentz, a Justice of the Peace. They later moved to Davis Co., MO.
1 son: Aaron Slentz.

H. Levinia/Lovina Slentz - b c1845. m Franklin Healy on 28 Mar 1863 in DeKalb Co.
10 Children: names unknown

IV. ELI (ELIAS) SLENTZ - b 29 Oct 1810 in PA. m Mary Ann (Ellen or Polly) Schullenberger on 22 Sep 1835 (Bk 3, pg 68 Columbiana Co. Marriages). Mary was b 1 Mar 1815 in PA, the daughter of Frederick Schullenberger who was deceased by 1836. Her mother was Rebecca Fickes Schullenbeerger, who signed a deed on 5 Apr 1836 which listed a Mary as her daughter. Rebecca is listed in the 1840 Census as a widow 50-60 years of age. Elias and Mary Ann evidently sold land in Knox Twp., Columbiana Co in Sec 20 on 27 Apr 1840. Elias died 3 Apr 1878, and Mary d 15 Jan 1879.
1850 Census, West Twp., Columbiana Co., OH, pg 787.

A. Rebecca Slentz - b 28 Oct 1836 in PA. m David B. McConnell30 Oct 1874. d 6 Dec 1908.

B. Chelchias Sllentz - b 22 Sep 1838. m Sarah Townsend on 3 Aug 1863. d 26 Dec 1918.

C. Silas Slentz - b 7 Jul 1840. did not marry. d 26 May 1863.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ & MARY continued:

D. Elizabeth Slentz - b 15 Feb 1842. m George Sill on 21 Dec 1865. d 12 Oct 1926.
E. Sophia Slentz - b 19 Apr 1844. m Lyman Clark on 15 Oct 1868. d 1 Jan 1827.
F. Mary Ann Slentz - b 16 Aug 1846. m Milton Homer. d 30 Jul 1908.
G. Isaac Slentz - b 3 Dec 1848. m Mary Ann Fryer (b 1854 - d 1923). d 1 Oct 1920.
H. Martha Jane Slentz - b 10 Jan 1851. did not marry. d 1 Nov 1881.
I. Frances Ellen Slentz - b 24 Apr 1853. m Henry Clark on 5 Jan 1871. d 12 Jun 1929.
J. Henry Slentz - b 19 Jul 1855. m Emma Snyder. d 21 Sep 1931.
K. Eli Slentz Jr. - b 3 Dec 1857 in Wayne Co., OH. m Jane Goodwin on 17 May 1877. d 20 Mar 1884.
L. Sarah Slentz - b 23 Sep 1860 in Van Wert Co., OH. m David Hughes. d 2 Feb 1891.

V. MARGARET (MARGARETTA/MARTHA) SLENTZ - b . m Thomas Betz on 12 Mar 1835 (Bk 3, pg 56, Columbiana Co. Marriages).

VI. MARY (NANCY) SLENTZ - b 18 Jan 1814. m John Baughman on 17 Sep 1835 in Columbiana Co. Living in Carrol Co., OH in 1843. Moved to DeKalb Co., IN in 1844 and settled on a 120 acre tract of Government land in Section 23 of Union Twp. Mary died 18 May 1863, and John m 2nd Elizabeth Weeks by whom he had 4 children. (History of DeKalb Co., page 840 and 545).

A. Addison Baughman - b 16 Jul 1836. m Sarah Jane Miller. Lived in Auburn, IN. d 12 May 1921.
B. Henry Baughman - b 17 Feb 1838. d young.
C. Mary Baughman - b 13 Jan 1840. d young.
D. George Washington Baughman - b 6 Aug 1841. m Hatie Johnson on 34 Sep 1865. d 15 Aug 1911.
E. Isiah Baughman - b 5 Jan 1843 in Carrol Co., OH. Educated in a log cabin school and enlisted in Co H, 30th Ind Inf in Sep 1861. He was discharged for ill health in Feb 1862. Re-enlisted twice more: Co A, 88th Infantry and wounded at the Battle of Stone River. Transferred to Btry A, 1st Inf Heavy Artillery until the end of the War. m Sophia Weeks in 1868. d 22 Aug 1911. ("History of DeKalb Co", pg 840)
6 Children: Willis, Laura, Anna, Cora, Dora, and Ward Baughman.
F. Eliza Baughman - b 21 May 1845. m David Miser. d 21 Nov 1905.
G. Mohala Baughman - b 10 Oct 1846. did not marry. d prior to 1904.
H. Nancy Jane Baughman - b 11 Jun 1848. m Charles Oiler on 1 Dec 1872. d 8 Jan 1904.
I. Samantha Baughman - b 28 Aug 1849 in Sec 23, Union Twp., DeKalb Co. ("History of DeKalb Co", pg 545)
J. Ermina Baughman - b 22 Mar 1857. m Henry Smith on 16 Aug 1868. d 18 Apr 1909.
K. Matilda Baughman - b 11 Jan 1853. m James Seibert on 1 Oct 1871. d 13 Feb 1919.

VII. HARVY ANDREW SLENTZ - b c 1816 in PA. m 1st Grace Willis on 19 Mar 1835 (Bk 3, pg 47 Columbiana Co. Marriages). On the 18th of March,1842, Grace and Andrew sold land in West Twp., Sec 20, to Jonathan Koffel (Vol 33, pg 418). Grace died and Andrew m 2nd, Mary Willis, who was b in 1816 in PA. Their marriage took place on the 29th of Jan 1843. Mary died and Andrew married 3rd, Hannah Willis on 31 Jul1854 (Bk 4, pg 218). Hannah was b in Ohio 1832-1839; Census records conflict on Hannah's year of birth. Andrew and Hannah signed a Quit Claim to his father's land in Sec 17 on 14 Aug 1844 (Vol 36, pg 769). The Will of Andrew is dated 7 May 1884 and was filed in probate on 1 Jun 1897, Andrew having died on 25 Jan 1897. Frank Slentz and Andrew's widow, Hannah were administrators. The documents in probate list all of Andrew's living heirs by his 3rd wife (Hannah) who was living in East Rochester, OH. Of the Children below, A-C are by Grace, D-F are by Mary, and G-N are by Hannah. K-N's births are recorded in Columbiana Co. Birth Records. Hannah d 3 Jun 1907 in Columbiana, OH.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ & MARY continued:

NOTE: These 3 Willis girls whom Andrew married were sisters. Andrew's brother, Michael Slentz, also married 2 Willis sisters. 2 Slentz brothers married 5 Willis sisters! These girl's father was Joseph Willis, son of Isacc Willis.
Listed in 4 Census years, all in West Twp., Columbiana Co., OH. 1850, pg 779: 1860, pg 295, :1870, pg 440, and 1880 which shows children H thru N.

A. Jesse Slentz - b c1836
B. Mary Slentz - b c1838.
C. Henry Slentz - b c1839.
D. Grace Slentz - b c1844.
E. Deborah Slentz - b c 1846
F. Nancy Slentz - b Spring 1850. probably d young, missing in the 1860 Census.
G. Jacob Slentz - bc1858. Living in Minerva, OH in 1897. m Mary E. Henry. d 19 Nov 1931 in Jewett, OH.
H. Harvey Slentz - b 11 Jan 1860 in Akron, OH. Living in Marshfield, MO in 1887. m Emma Sarah Jolly. d 10 Jun 1944 in Hurley, MO.
I. William Ellsworth Slentz - b c1863. Living in Galveston, TX in 1897.
J. Charles Slentz - b c1866.
K. Jasper Slentz - b 9 Oct 1868 in East Rochester, OH. Living in Akron, OH in 1897.
L. Abby Jane Slentz - b 9 May 1871 in West Twp. m Issac D. Newcomer on 13 Jul 1892 (Bk 11, pg 306). Living in Minerva, OH in 1897. d 1937. i Minerva, OH.
M. Franklin S. Slentz - b 25 Apr 1874 in West Twp. Living in East Rochester, OH in 1897. m 26 Sep 1900 to Florence Haymen. d 1950 in Minerva, OH.
N. Sarah (Laura, Bertha) Slentz - b 1 Aug 1876 in West Twp. m George Albert Guthrie on 7 Mar 1894. Living in East Rochester, OH in 1897. d 19 Jul 1937. i Moultrie Chapel Cemetery in New Franklin, OH.

There are some indications that a Risdon Slentz who choked to death on a peanut hull in his father's store and d prior to 1867, and, Ellsworth Slentz, b c1869, were also children of Andrew.

VIII. LYDIA SLENTZ - b . m Cyrenias Bates on 22 Jan 1835 or 15 Nov 1838 (there is a conflict in dates in Bk 3, pg 38 Columbiana Co. Marriages).

IX. MICHAEL SLENTZ - b 12 Mar 1819 "near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania". m 1st Eliza Willis, daughter of Joseph and Deborah Kelley Willis. Eliza d about 1843, and Michael m 2nd Deborah Willis, sister of Eliza, on 1 Aug 1844 in Columbiana Co. (Bk 3, pg 383). Deborah was b in PA about 1820-1823. The family moved to DeKalb Co., IN about 1844. Deborah died about 1860 and Michael m 3rd Margaret Hagerty about 1868. Margaret was a school teacher and her 1862 classbook lists several of the **Barnhart** children (Michael's sister, Eliza, married John Barnhart). See page 146 for the class list. Margaret was b 28 Mar 1833 and d 26 Jan 1909. Michael and Margaret moved to South Haven, MI about 1872 or 1873. He later bought a farm 1 1/2 miles south of Lacata (7 miles east of South Haven). Michael d 11 Dec 1895. Michael and Margaret are buried in a rural cemetery between South Haven and Lacata. All the children are buried in MI except Eliza and Martha, who are buried in IN.
1840 Census, West Twp, Columbiana Co., OH, pg 4.
1850, 1860, 1870 Census, Union Twp., DeKalb Co., IN
In the 1850 Census, this family is found on page 494, Family 43, living 10 names from **Joel Rockwell.**

A. Lovina Slentz - b 25 Dec 1840 in OH. Did not marry. d 26 Jul 1925.
B. Andrew Slentz - b 2 Nov 1843 in OH. m Rosahana Poper. d 13 Dec 1917.
C. Eliza Ann Slentz - b 6 Jun 1845 in OH.

THE FAMILY OF JOHN JACOB SLENTZ & MARY continued:

D. Elizabeth Slentz - b 17 Mar 1848. In the 1850 Census, she is shown in the home of Philip Bretsch, 2 doors from her parents.
E. Michael Slentz Jr. - b 8 Jun 1850 in IN. m Nancy Jane Baughman.
Children: Harva, Jerry Alvin, Alta, and Myrien Baughman
F. Deborah Slentz - b 15 Jun 1853 in IN. d 4 Apr 1938.
G. Cindy Slentz - b 15 Jun 1853 in IN (twin sister of Deborah). d young.
H. John Slentz - b 3 Jul 1857 in IN. d 11 Jul 1895.
I. Martha Slentz - b 10 Feb 1859 in IN. d 1921.
J. Burr Slentz - b 18 Feb 1870 in IN. d 8 May 1965.
K. Cora Slentz - b c1873. m Stephen Clark Roe. When Cora d on 14 Oct 1892, Stephen m 2nd Cora's sister, Ada.
**** L. Ada Slentz - b 14 May 1876. m Stephen Clark Roe on 10 Nov 1897. Ada d 20 Apr 1971.
M. Maggie Slentz - b 22 Jan 1878. m 10 Nov 1897 to George Dalrymple. d 19 Feb 1975.

X. ESTHER or HEDDY or HESTER SLENTZ - b . m 11 Oct 1838 to Jesse Van Meter, a Justice of the Peace.

XII. ELIZA LOUISA SLENTZ - born 5 Dec 1822 in PA. Married John Barnhart on 15 Nov 1838 in Columbiana Co., OH. d 24 Jan 1900 in Grant Township, DeKalb Co., IN. Eliza is the Slentz family insert into our Rockwell family line. See page 156 for details on Eliza, page 144 for John G. Barnhart, and pages 146 to 152 for their children.

XIII. NOAH M. SLENTZ - b 17 Jun 1824 in PA. Married Mary Rigby on 24 Dec 1845 in OH. Mary was b c1830 in OH. The family moved to Union Township, DeKalb Co., IN in 1849. Noah was about 16 when his father died and a John Fleigle was appointed his guardian on 24 Nov 1840 by the Probate Court (Probate Case 2281, pg 58, Columbiana Co.) Noah died 3 Jan 1868 or 1898.
1850 Census, Union Twp., DeKalb Co, IN, pg 506, Family 138.
A. Martha Slentz - b 5 Jun 1847 in OH. m Scaly Beymer 13 Dec 1860. d 25 Dec 1867.
B. Ephrium Slentz - b 9 Nov 1848 in OH. m 1 Apr 1871 to Gilpha Gawrt.
C. James Madison Slentz - b 23 Apr 1850 in IN. m Margaret Jackson.
D. Daniel Slentz - b 2 Feb 1852. m 10 Oct 1874 to Sarah J. Rigby.
E. Mary Margaret Slentz - b 19 Apr 1853. m possibly, Eli Rigby.
F. Lucinda Slentz - b 3 Mar 1855. d 14 Oct 1859.
G. Noah Slentz Jr. b 14 Sep 1856/57. m Martha Ann Samantha.
H. Minerva Ellen Slentz - b 13 Sep 1858. m 1st M. Rowe. m 2nd Charles L. Thompson.
I. Pluma Adelire Slentz - b 16 Apr 1860. m 8 Sep 1877 to Henry McDolman.
J. Eliza R. Slentz - b 9 Mar 1862. m Mary Rowse.
K. Viola Maria Slentz - b 22 Feb 1864. m Jesse Williams.
L. Alice Leona Slentz - b 27 Nov 1865.

It is possible that there was another son, born to John Jacob Slentz and Mary; however he may be a grandson, or son from Jacob's first marriage. His age and geographic location matches our Slentz line:--

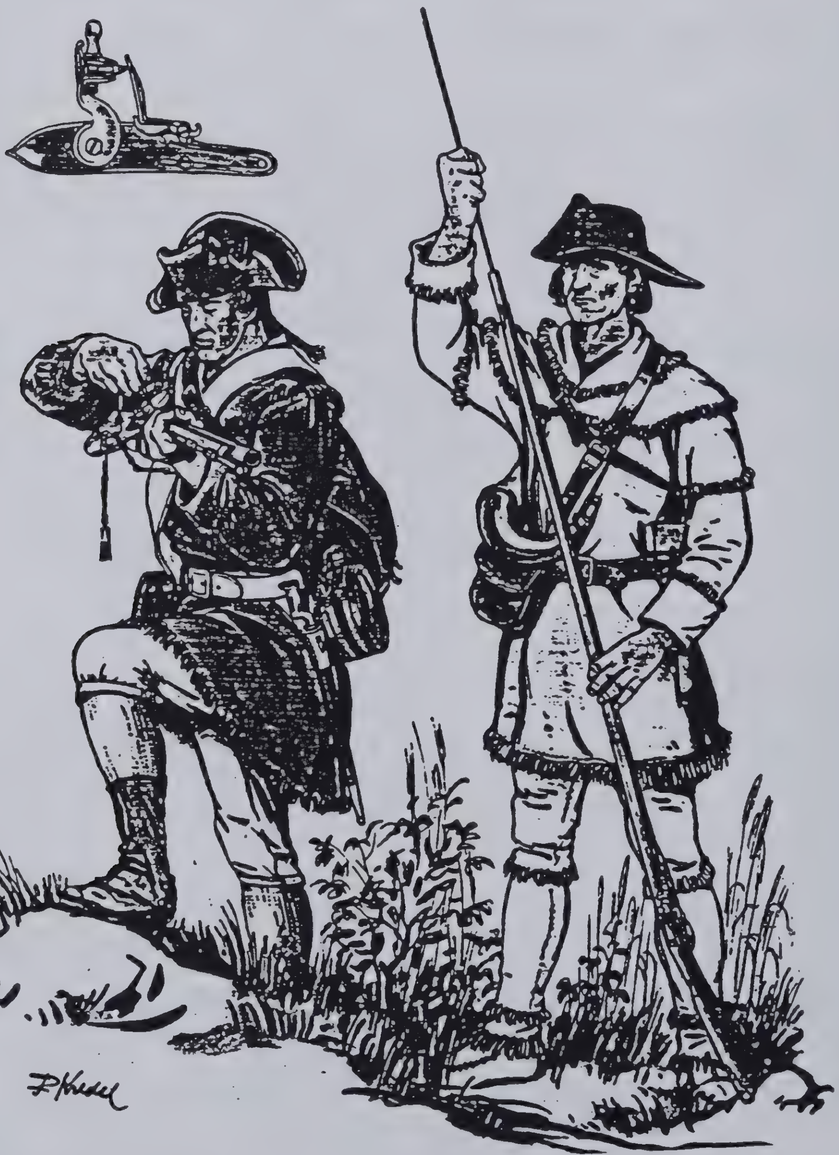
JAMES SLENTZ - born c 1821 in PA. m Elizabeth ______ who was b c1823 in OH. James was a cooper by trade.
1850 Census, West Twp., Columbiana Co., OH, pg 895.
Children: Eleanor T. Slentz b c1843 in OH, Allurts Slentz b c1845 in OH, Permelia Slentz b c1846 in OH, Ruth E. Slentz b c1849 in OH.

We are deeply indebted to Howard W. "Buster" Stentz, PO Box 629, Coos Bay, OR 97420, who has published multiple books on the Stentz/Slentz families. It was through his published works that we were able to add & correct some of our previous data on our Slentz family line.

**** II. C. Arthur E. Slentz b Jan 1790 is the grandfather of Laurene DeHoff, 2162 Le Baron Dr NE, Atlanta, Ga 30345.

**** III B. Elias Slentz is the great-great grandfather of Larry E. Baker, 610 E. Hill Street,Garrett, IN 46738. Larry has done a very extensive job in researching our complete Slentz family line. It is through his efforts that the preceeding material is as complete as it is in that he was able to add at least 100 names and dates to the material I had assembled previously!

**** IX L. Ada Slentz is the mother of Mrs Bernice Muma who lived in Allegan, Michigan.



PENNSYLVANIA MILITIAMEN - THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION - 1775 TO 1783
PHILIP SLENTZ , AND POSSIBLY, JOHN JACOB SLENTZ.

BARBARA METZ BARNHART

Barbara Metz, the daughter of Jacob and Magdalena Metz, was born 1770 - 1789, in Southern Pennsylvania or in Maryland.

Barbara married **Peter Barnhart** on the 15th of November in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hagerstown, Maryland. Peter and Barbara moved to Columbiana County, OH around 1815 and purchased their farm in West Township from the US Government in 1822. They resided in West Township and, they and their growing family, are recorded there in the 1830 and 1840 Census.

It is very likely that they moved to DeKalb County, IN to be with several of their children who moved there in the mid-1840s. We are fairly sure that Peter was in DeKalb County in 1850 living with their son, David. It appears that Barbara died sometime between 1840 and 1850, but we have found no record of her death and have not located grave sites for either Peter or Barbara.

See the pages shown below to track the various relationships between the generations.

THE METZ FAMILY LINE

LUDWIG METZ SR. c1700 - c1756 pg 174
BARBARA MILLER ???? - c1768 pg 175

JACOB METZ c1735 - c1815 pg 179
MAGDALENA ?? ???- before 1814 pg 179

PETER BARNHART c1776 - c1854 pg 140
BARBARA METZ c1780 - c1845 pg 173

10 CHILDREN pg 142-144

Our Metz family has it's roots in Rapho Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania over 40 years prior to the American Revolution. The Metz family were "Pennsylvania Dutch".

Checking back through available records, it appears that our Metz family was in the Colonies prior to 1727, the year that the names of newly arriving ship passengers from Europe were first recorded. The English Government became very concerned that the area granted to William Penn would become too "Germanized" and their loyalty to the English Crown would become lost. Therefore, starting in 1727, the Government began to require that all immigrants take an oath of allegiance to the King of England as follows:

> "We, subscribers, natives and late inhabitants of the Palatinate on the Rhine and places adjacent, do somemnly promise ------", etc.

Between 1727 and 1766 there were 15 men with the name METZ, by all of its various spellings, who took this oath at the Port of Philadelphia. Of these 15 men, 8 were named Johan/John/Hans. Since the first identified Metz in our family line is named Ludwig Metz, and this name does not appear on the loyalty lists, it is assumed that Ludwig arrived in the Colonies prior to 1727.

LUDWIG METZ SR.

As a pure guess, if we assume that Ludwig was about 25 years old when he came to the Colonies, prior to 1727, with a "guestimated" date of arrival of 1725, he would have been born about 1700. Ludwig Metz Sr, according to a family story, was the son of a Frenchman who lived in Switzerland. Historically, this is very probable, in that many French and German Protestants moved to Switzerland to escape religious persecution; many of these people later moved to the Colonies.

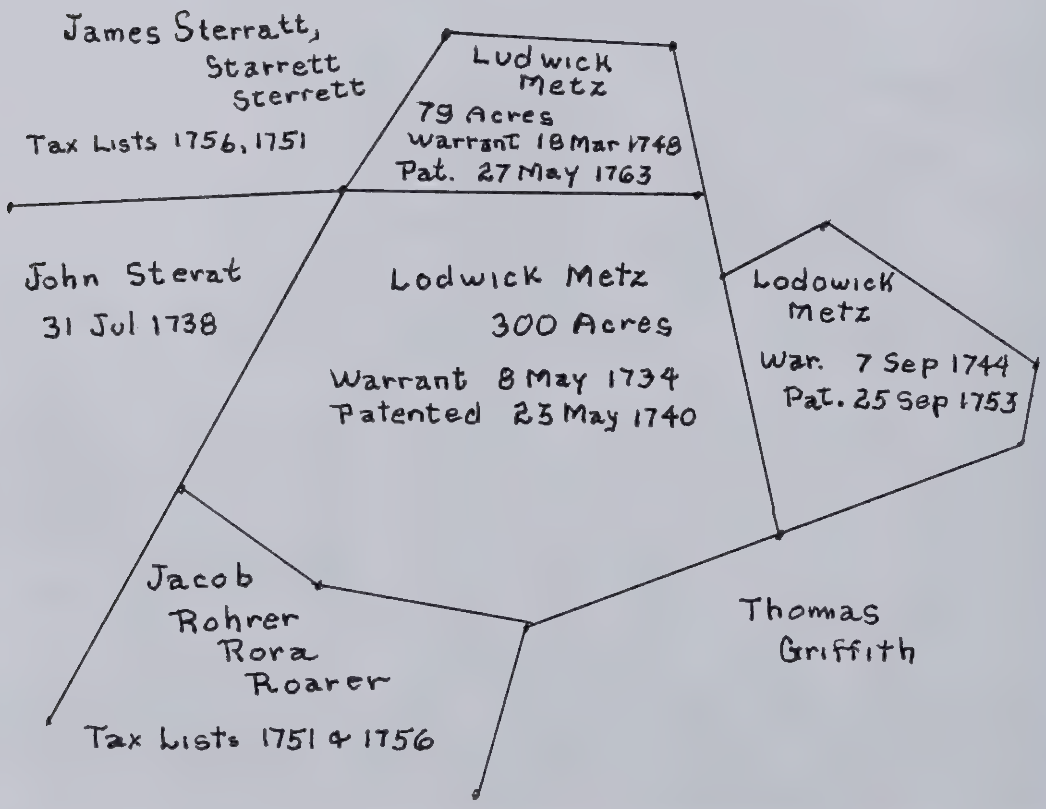
Our Ludwig settled in Rapho Township, Lancaster County, PA. We find 3 land grant surveys issued to Ludwig in the Pennsylvania Archives:

page 466	Lutwick Metz	300 acres on 8 May, 1734.
page 474	Lodoweych Mets	150 acres on 20 April, 1743.
page 480	Lodowick Metz	100 acres on 18 March, 1749

This land was part of the land granted to William Penn by the King of England for the colonization of the Colonies. William Penn's sons, John, Thomas, and William Jr., made the grant to Ludwig in 1734. "Lodwick Mattis" is shown on the Rapho Twp., Lancaster Co., Tax Lists of 1751 being taxed 10 shillings. He also appears again on the 1756 tax list, but this time as "Lodwick Metz".

ROUGH SKETCH OF SOME OF THE ORIGINAL LAND WARRANTS GRANTED TO LUDWIG METZ SR.

IN RAPHO TOWNSHIP, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA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War. 7 Sep 1744
Pat. 25 Sep 1753
Jacob
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Tax Lists 1751 & 1756
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THIS AREA IN RAPHO TOWNSHIP WAS APPARENTLY PREVIOUSLY IN DONEGAL TOWNSHIP.
See the Map on page 158 for the location of Rapho Township.

In the History of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Ellis and Evans, published in 1883, we find the following information:

> "Ludwig Metz was another old settler ----" of Rapho Township. "He owned a tract of land in the Township and built the house now standing on the farm of Christian Erisman, built in the year 1771, and looks as if it could stand another 100 years. Mr Erisman's mother was a Metz. There were quite a number of Metzes in the Township from 1750 to 1800, but there is not a Metz in the Township today."

Ludwig Metz Sr. was the early settler who owned the land that was passed to Ludwig Metz Jr., who built the house in 1771. Christian Metz, Luwig Jr's brother, had a daughter, Mary who married Jacob Erisman, the parents of the Christian Erisman mentioned in the article quoted above.

From the Lancaster Mennonite files, we find that Ludwig was married, apparently 1st, to Margaret Gut (Good) about 1735. From this marriage there were three children. Margaret was the daughter of Heinrich and Anna Gut. The Gut family came to the Colonies about 1717 from the German Palatinate where Margaret was born. Margaret is mentioned in the Will of her brother, Jacob, dated 12 Sep 1739, who died in Martock, PA about December 1741. In the Will, Margaret is to receive 6 pounds and is speciffically recorded as "Margaret, wife of Lodwick Metz". Margaret apparently died about 1742 at about 35 years of age.

About 1743, Ludwig remarried to Barbara Miller. We could find no record of this marriage, but assume that Barbara was the daughter of a Miller family that lived in close proximity to Ludwig. The 1751 and 1756 tax lists give us a clue as to whom the parents might be of Ludwig's 2nd wife, Barbara Miller. The 1751 list shows a Jeremiah Miller living 31 names from Ludwig and a William Miller living 23 names away. The 1756 Tax List shows Jeramiah Miller 37 names from Ludwig. Our best guess is that Jeremiah Miller was Barbara's father.

Ludwig and Barbara had 5 known children by the time Ludwig died sometime in the latter part of 1756. We guess that Ludwig would have been about 55/56 years old. He was buried in the Sporting Hill Cemetery in Rapho Township.

Ludwig died without a Will, but a Letter of Administration was issued on 4 Jan, 1757 (see a copy on the following page). His widow, Barbarra Metz and Jacob Holderman were appointed to administer the estate. An additional Letter of Administration was issued and required Barbara Metz, the widow, Jacob Holderman, Jacob Leydert, and Bernard Hubly, under bond of 800 pounds, to inventory Ludwig's estate, pay all debts and report the results back to the Court prior to 4 Jan 1758. Barbara signed this 2nd letter with her "+" mark. Jacob Holdermand and Martin Greider were appointed guardians for Ludwig and Barbara's 5 minor children about 1758 in a court record that names the 5 children (Bk 1742-1760, pg 180, M 346, M 343).

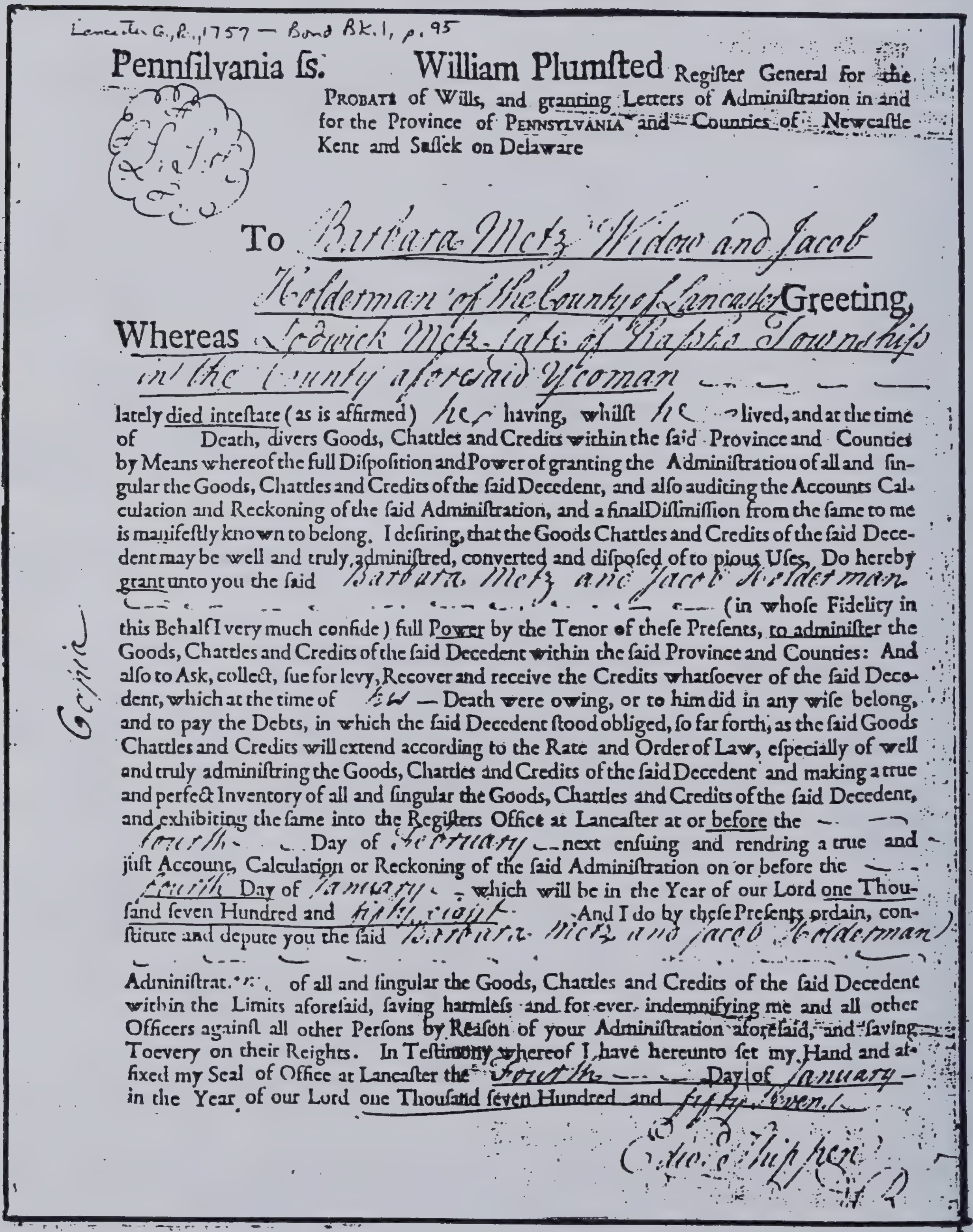
Lancaster County documents in 1768 and 5 Sep 1769, list all 8 of the children of Ludwig Metz Sr, deceased, and Barbara Metz, widow in the final settlement and distribution of the Ludwig Metz Sr estate. Barbara MAY have died sometime between the recording of these two documents since she is listed in the 1765 document, but is missing in the 1769 document.

NOTES

LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION FOR THE ESTATE OF

LUDWIG METZ SR.

4 JANUARY, 1757



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Pennſilvania ſs. **William Plumſted** Regiſter General for the Probate of Wills, and granting Letters of Adminiſtration in and for the Province of Pennsylvania and Counties of Newcaſtle Kent and Suſſek on Delaware

To *Barbara Metz Widow and Jacob Holderman of the County of Lancaster* Greeting,

Whereas *Lodwick Metz late of Rapho Township in the County aforesaid Yeoman* lately died inteſtate (as is affirmed) *he* having, whilſt *he* lived, and at the time of Death, divers Goods, Chattles and Credits within the ſaid Province and Counties by Means whereof the full Diſpoſition and Power of granting the Adminiſtration of all and ſingular the Goods, Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent, and alſo auditing the Accounts Calculation and Reckoning of the ſaid Adminiſtration, and a final Diſmiſſion from the ſame to me is manifeſtly known to belong. I deſiring, that the Goods Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent may be well and truly adminiſtred, converted and diſpoſed of to pious Uſes, Do hereby grant unto you the ſaid *Barbara Metz and Jacob Holderman* (in whoſe Fidelity in this Behalf I very much confide) full Power by the Tenor of theſe Preſents, to adminiſter the Goods, Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent within the ſaid Province and Counties: And alſo to Ask, collect, ſue for levy, Recover and receive the Credits whatſoever of the ſaid Decedent, which at the time of *his* Death were owing, or to him did in any wiſe belong, and to pay the Debts, in which the ſaid Decedent ſtood obliged, ſo far forth, as the ſaid Goods Chattles and Credits will extend according to the Rate and Order of Law, eſpecially of well and truly adminiſtring the Goods, Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent and making a true and perfect Inventory of all and ſingular the Goods, Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent, and exhibiting the ſame into the Regiſters Office at Lancaſter at or before the *Fourth* Day of *February* next enſuing and rendring a true and juſt Account, Calculation or Reckoning of the ſaid Adminiſtration on or before the *Fourth* Day of *January* which will be in the Year of our Lord one Thouſand ſeven Hundred and *fifty eight* And I do by theſe Preſents ordain, conſtitute and depute you the ſaid *Barbara Metz and Jacob Holderman* Adminiſtrat[illegible] of all and ſingular the Goods, Chattles and Credits of the ſaid Decedent within the Limits aforeſaid, ſaving harmleſs and for ever indemnifying me and all other Officers againſt all other Perſons by Reaſon of your Adminiſtration aforeſaid, and ſaving To every on their Reights. In Teſtimony whereof I have hereunto ſet my Hand and affixed my Seal of Office at Lancaſter the *Fourth* Day of *January* in the Year of our Lord one Thouſand ſeven Hundred and *fifty seven.*

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THE CHILDREN OF LUDWIG METZ, SR.

BY HIS FIRST WIFE, MARGARET GUT (GOOD):

I. LUDWIG METZ JR. - b 1736 in PA. m possibly Magdalena M. Lang, the daughter of Herrmand and Anna Hershey Lang/Long. He may have married 2nd, Margaret Kingley in St. James Episcopal Church, Lancaster, Co., PA on 8 Jul 1776. In a transaction recorded on 21 Apr 1768, "Ludwig Matz Jr, son of Ludwig Matz Sr" released 2 tracts of land previously owned by his father, totaling 182 acres to Halermand and Greider, guardians of his minor brothers and sisters for support of these children. Ludwig Jr is listen in the 1777 and 1780 tax lists on 200 acres ind in the 1790 Census of Rapho Twp., with 4 males over 16, 0 males under 16, and 8 females in his household. Ludwig is supposed to be buried in the Sporting Hill Cemetery.

- A. Ludwig Metz III - b prior to 1756. m 8 Jul 1776 to Margaret Kingery at St. James Episcopal Church in Lancaster, PA. Listed in the 1790 Census, Rapho Twp., 2 m +16, 2 m -16, and 2 f. Ludwig d sometime after 1790.
- B. - J. Possibly 2 more sons and 7 daughters according to the 1790 Census. Names unknown.

II. MARGARET METZ - b c1738.

III. ELIZABETH METZ - b 25 Apr 1739. m Abraham Reist. d 1 Sep 1810. 6 Children: John, Anna, Elizabeth, Abraham, Barbara, and Christian Reist.

BY HIS SECOND WIFE, BARBARA MILLER:

IV. JACOB METZ - born in 1745 in Rapho Twp., PA. Married c1780 to Magdalena ________. Moved to Maryland about 1785, and to Columbiana Co., OH about 1805. Died about Sep 1812. Jacob is the next generation in our Metz family line.

V. ANNA (SUSANNA) METZ - b c1746.

VII. CHRISTIAN METZ - born 27 Feb 1750. Married Mary (Maria) Hackman (b c1750 - d 1839) in 1784. Christian is listed in the Daughters of the American Revolution Patriots Index, pg 466, DAR #225929, as having served in Capt Patrick Hayes #8 Company, 7th Battalion in 1781. Christian died 27 Jul 1827 in Lancaster Co., PA. A Transcript of Release in the Lancaster County Court House, dated 4 Apr 1837, reads as follows:

> "Christian Metz of Rapho Township, Lancaster County, died intestate, leaving a widow Margaret and children, of who Magdalene the wife of John Kauffman is one, to which widow and 5 children the said real estate descended --- real estate was divided into two parts --- one part --- consisted of a plantation and tract of land, situate in Rapho Twp., adjoining the lands of Abraham Hershey, Abraham Metzger, John Hollinger, Christian ______ and Jacob Erisman, containing and consisting of one hundred and nine acres and nienty seven perches,valued at seven thousand and fourteen dollars and eighty cents --- Jacob Burns and his wife, Elizabeth, one of the daughters of said intestate appeared in court and accepted the described plantation at the valuation made."

- A. Nancy Metz - b c1786. m Peter Holl (Hull).
- B. Magdalena Metz - b 26 Jul 1787. m John Kauffman. d 27 Oct 1857 in Rapho Twp.
- C. Mary Metz - b 1789. m Jacob Erisman in 1807. Jacob was the son of Christian Erisman. Lived in Clarence Center, NY. d 20 Oct 1857.
- D. Christian Metz - b 22 Feb 1792. m Barbara Kauffman in 1812 and moved to Clarence Center in western New York State where they are buried. Christian d 11 Aug 1855.
- E. Samuel Metz - b 11 May 1794. m Anna Wingardt (b 10 Oct 1793 - d 3 Mar 1881) on 9 Aug 1812. Moved to Stark Co., OH about 1825. d 29 Aug 1873. 8 children.

THE CHILDREN OF LUDWIG METZ SR & BARBARA MILLER continued:

**** F. Elizabeth Metz - b 8 Aug 1799. m Jacob Burn (b 14 Mar 1799 - d 3 Jun 1874). d 18 Nov 1870.

VII. JOHN or HANS METZ - b . Listed in the Rapho Twp., Tax list in 1782. Very possible that he served in the Pennsylvania Militia during the Revolutionary War.

VIII. ABRAHAM METZ - born 18 Dec 1755. A single man in 1779. Married 1st Ester _____ (b 13 Mar 1751 - d 25 Sep 1821) the mother of his children. Married 2nd Ester ________ (b 24 Aug 1763 - d 15 Jan 1849). Listed in the DAR Patriots Index, pg 466, as a Private in Capt Hayes Company, Pennsylvania Militia 1781-1783. He is also shown on the 1782 Rapho Co., Tax Lists with 140 acres of land, and is listed in the 1790 Census of Rapho Twp, with 4 m +16, 2 m -16, and 5 females. d 20 Mar 1843 and his Will is to be found in the Lancaster Co., Will Book T, Vol 1, pg 207. Abraham is buried on, what was once the farm of Cyrus Good, on a hill near Sporting Hill, between Manhiem and Mt. Joy, PA. Both of his wives, both Esters, were buried here also. This cemetery was destroyed in the 1930s and converted to farm land.

A. Esther Metz - b . There is some question that Esther actually existed.
B. Barbara Metz - b
C. John Metz - b 4 Mar 1784 Lancaster Co., PA. m Elizabeth Martin in Warwick Twp, Lancaster Co., PA on 19 Apr 1810. Elizabeth was b 11 Sep 1791, the daughter of Christian Martin & Elizabeth Brubaker. They moved to Cayugo Co., NY in 1823, and then to the Town of Amherst, Erie Co, NY in 1828. All their children, with the exception of Elizabeth, lived and died in the Amherst/Clarence area on the NE side of Buffalo. John d 11 Jun 1860 and is buried in the Harris Hills Cemetery.
   1. Abraham Metz - b 20 Mar 1811. m Mary Halter. d 18 Mar 1895.
   2. John Metz - b 21 Mar 1813. m Leah Gotwalt in 1839. d 17 Oct 1851.
   3. Anna Metz - b 5 Feb 1815. did not marry. d 10 Jan 1896.
   4. Elizabeth Metz - b 5 Oct 1817. m Peter Halter. Moved to LaPorte, Co., IN. d 24 Sep 1888.
   5. Esther Metz - b 18 Jan 1820. m George Sneraly. d 7 Aug 1877.
   **** 6. David Metz - b 11 Aug 1822. m 18 Jun 1846 to Fanny Miller. d 24 May 1874.
   7. Jacob K. Metz - b 6 May 1825. m Maltilda Green in Lockport, NY on 12 Oct 1865. d 14 Mar 1915. Child: Dr Byron Metz.
   8. Christian Metz - b 27 Dec 1827. m Ester Ann Snearly on 8 May 1854. d 14 Feb 1913. Child: Cora Metz Pfohl.
   9. Sophia Metz - b 12 Jan 1830. m Matthew Campbell. d 21 Nov 1929, just short of her 100th birthday.
   10. Benjamin Metz - b 31 Mar 1834. m Harriet Staley. d 15 Jun 1913. Children: Warren and Benjamin Metz.

   Data on the family of John and Elizabeth Metz came fro the "Amherst Bee" newspaper of Amherst, NY in a series printed 19 and 26 Sep, 1935.
D. Christian Metz - b . m 18 Apr 1812 to Barbara Martin.
E. - J. Possibly 3 more sons and 2 daughters, but proof of relationship can not be found:
   ?? Anna Metz - b 25 Aug 1791. d unmarried 13 Jan 1859. i Sporting Hill Cemetery.
   ?? Elizabeth Metz - b . m Martin Balmer.

The Pennsylvania Archives, Series 6, Vol III, pg 400, 488, and 627, show the military service of men who belonged to Capt Patrick Hayes, 8th Company of Lancaster County Militia during the American Revolution. This Company was raised in Rapho Township and we ASSUME these are all sons of Ludwig Metz Sr.

7th Battalion	4th Battalion
Lists of 31 May 1781, Jun 1782, 1783	Lists of 23 Oct 1783, Spring 1784, Spring & Fall 1785
John Metz	John Metz
Ludwig Metz	Abraham Metz
Abraham Metz	Christy Metz
Christy Metz	**Jacob Metz, Pvt, 8th Class**
Jacob Metz	

The National Archives were checked for additional service records of Jacob Metz, but none were found since the service shown above was all within and for the State of Pennsylvania; i.e. these units were NOT called into active Federal service.

On the 6th, 7th, and 8th of May 1811, James Starett, David Roherer, Henry Barnhart, and Christian Metz, all bought items from the estate sale of Christian Lantz in Upper Antitiem 100 Township in Washington Co., MD. Note the names on the map on page 174 as landowners adjacent to Ludwig Metz Sr :- STARRETT and ROHRER. Evidently the next generation of all these families moved from PA to MD along with Jacob Metz, son of Ludwig Sr.

Mrs Carol C. Boyer, 852 Wolff Street, Denver, CO, 80204, is related to the Metz family through Ludwig Sr and his first Wife, Margaret Gut (Good). She has been very helpful in assembling data on the Ludwig Metz family and has extensive data on the Gut/Good family lines.

JACOB METZ & MAGDALENA (??)

Jacob Metz, the oldest son of Ludwig Metz Sr and his 2nd wife, Barbara Miller, was born in Rapho Township, Lancaster Co., PA in 1745. When Jacob was about 11 years old, his father died. About 1769, Jacob's guardians paid him 22 pounds, 10 shillings, and 7 1/2 pence which was his share remaining from his deceased father's estate.

According to the Pennsylvania Archives, Vol 17, pages 261, 675, 701, and 787, Jacob is listed on the property Tax Rolls as follows:

Lancaster County, Rapho Twp	1772	100 acres
Lancaster County, Rapho Two	1777	----
Lancaster County, Rapho Twp	1779	100 acres
Lancaster County, Rapho Twp	1780	----
Lancaster County, Rapho Twp	1782	100 acres
Lancaster County, Upper Paxon Twp	1782	100 acres

From these rolls, we can also see that Jacob and his brother, Abraham, were close neighbors. In a deed recorded in the Lancaster Deed Book, page F-5-301, recorded on 24 March 1821, we read the following:

> "Abraham Metz of Rapho Twp, and Ester his wife sell to Christian Metz the elder of same place for $500.00, 10 acres, Rapho Township, ajoins other land of Christian Metz, also Abraham Hershey, Abraham Metz, part of tract of 85 acres which with another tract of 65 acres, **Jacob Metz and Magdalena, his wife**, on March 6, 1785 sold to Leonard Rickert --- was bought by Abraham Metz on 7 August 1793."

Here we see that Jacob was married to Magdalena, and they, as a married couple, sold 65 acres on 6 March 1785 to Leonard Rjckert. Rickert, in turn, sold this land to Abraham Metz, Jacob's brother, in 1793, and Abraham in turn, sold 10 acres to his brother, Christian Metz, in the above transaction.

We assume that Jacob married Magdalena, maiden name unknown, in Rapho Twp., about 1780. Evidently Jacob and Magdalena, after selling the land mentioned above in 1785, moved to Maryland, as they do not appear in Pennsylvania records after that year.

SERVICE IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

We know that Jacob served in the Pennsylvania Militia during the Revolutionary War as mentioned on the previous page. Militia soldiers were classified by age and physical condition: a Private 1st class would be a young man in top physical condition. The fact that he is shown as a "Private 8th Class", indicates his age, 38 - 40, and/or possibly some physical infirmity. Depending upon the seriousness of the military situation, men would be called out by Class: for minor emergencies, men of the 1st - 3rd Class would be called. For serious situations, all 8 Classes would be called up.

There are records of a Jacob Metz who served in the Continental Army. In "Official Rosters of Soldiers of the American Revolution Who Lived in Ohio", published by the State Society, DAR, Vol 2, there are two references to the Pennsylvania Archives for a Jacob Metz who was among the early settlers in Beaver Township, Ohio. This Jacob "Maess", "Mehs", "Metz", served in the Pennsylvania Rife Regiment as a 2nd Lieutenant from March 1776 to Dec 1776. Another Jacob "Mehs", "Metz" served in the 13th Pennsylvania Regiment as a 1st Lt from Apr 1777 to July 1778. These two entries could be for two separate men named Jacob Metz, or the same man with two periods of service. There is a very remote possibility that they pertain to our Jacob Metz.

I have found no indication that our Jacob or Magdalena every applied for any veteran's benefits; land claims or pensions.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

Sometime after 1785, Jacob and Magdalena moved to Washington County, Maryland, where they are found in the 1790 Census. Jacob is listed as 1 male over 16 (Jacob), 3 males under 16 (John, Abraham, and Joseph), and 4 females (Magdalena, his wife, and daughters, Betsy, Barbara, and Magdalena).

The 1800 Census of Washington County, Elizabeth 100 Township, pg 15, line 19, we again find Jacob and his family which now consists of 3 males -10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 45+, 1 female 16-26, and 1 female 45+. Jacob is listed about 60 names from Peter Barnhart, the husband of his daughter, Barbara Metz Barnhart. "Peter Metz" is shown living next door to Jacob and Magdalena.

COLUMBIANA COUNTY, OHIO

About 1805, Jacob and his family moved to the new frontiers in Columbiana Co., Ohio. Jacob was issued a 1st grantee Deed on 21 May 1806 in Range 1, Twp 9, Section 18, in Columbiana (now Mahoning) County. His son, John, and his son-in-law, Abraham Koler, purchased adjoining land on the same day. This property is located about 13 miles northeast of Salem, OH, adjacent to the Pennsylvania Turnpike between North Lima and Petersburg.

Rudolph Bair and his wife, Barbara, sold additional land to Jacob "Mets" in Columbiana County in 1806. Jacob mortgaged this land to Henry Wertsler the same year. "Jacob Mitts" is listed in the 1810 Tax Lists of Columbiana County.

Jacob died shortly before 15 September, 1812. His record of probate may be found in the Probate Record File 110, Doc CO1, pg 19 (Book 1, pg 372, Book 2 pg 259).

> "Know all Men by these Presents, that we Abraham Keller, Abraham Augusteen, Peter Ostler, and Jacob Shelby of the County of Columbiana in the State of Ohio - - - are bound - - - in the sum of two Thousand Dollars. Sealed with our seals and dated the 15th day of September Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and twelve."

These men were bound to inventory and sell the property of Jacob Metz and pay all debts outstanding within 3 months. Jacob's estate was inventoried and the following inventory list was submitted on 10 Oct, 1812. It is a bit of a challenge to determine what some of these items are! They spelled phonetically and their penmanship was poor. What do you think some of these item are?

"to one Cow	$10.00
to one Doto (ditto?)	8.00
to one Calf	2.50
to 5 hat of sheep	7.00
to one plow and tacklins	5.50
to one Bline Mare	5.00
to one long chan	1.50
to one Shovel blow	1.00
to one grobenhow	.75
to one 13 gallen Crittale	3.50
to one Crout top & 2 small tops	1.00
to one pick forck & tunghug	.75
to one Crotole	.50
to one hamer anwill Sickel & baskiet	.50
to one pare of brickpant Sneath	.50
to one bit ats & fauling ax	1.00
to one auger and lamp	.37 1/2
to one basket with Iron Topen	.25
to 2 set of Hours geers	6.00
to one Crouting box	3.00
to 2 Hogs	5.00
to 2 Corn hos	.12 1/6
to 5 bontils of flax	.05
to one winerken gack and gorn	.70
to one pare of Steleards	3.00
to 2 tishes & 6 blats of Buter	3.00
to one Doto & 6 Doto	3.00
to one tun boucked & 2 tun Caps	. 50
to 1 watheorn can & Coffee pot	1.50
to 2 Books	.50
to one Sil Stone & 4 spoons	.50
to one Sat of Bras Latels & fork	1.50
to one iron pob & bot hanger	1.00
to one iron Spate	.12 1/3
to one jack rill	.12 1/3
to one lac Dray	.50
to 3 lining Bags	.50
to 9# if wool ad 40# pon	2.70
to one Spingnig wille	2.50
to one pite	4.00
to one smal Jack	.25
to 9 gees	2.25
to 2 able noseres	.60
to flax on the wather	.25
to one Stack of oats	3.00
to corn in the feate	4.00"

Note: This is typical of an estate inventory of this time period: household goods & clothing went to the wife, wooden furniture had little value, livestock and items made of METAL were expensive.

The total value of Jacob's estate was $97.55. In the final settlement it appears that Magdalena received $52.05. Evidently the land, home and it's contents were declared to belong to Magdalena, the widow and were not inventoried.

The last record we have found for Jacob is a deed from the heirs of Jacob Metz to Philip Frankforter in Vol 6, page 321 for Columbiana County. It reads in part as follows:

> "This indenture made this 22 day of November in the year of our Lord 1819 between Betsey Augusteen and her husband Abraham Augusteen, **Barby Barnhart** and her husband **Peter Barnhart**, John Metz and Betsey his wife, Magdalena Kaler and her husband Abraham Kaler, Abraham Metz and Sally his wife, Joseph Metz and Rebecca his wife, David Metz and Susannah his wife, all of the county of Columbiana Ohio of the first part and Philip Frankforter --- of the second part ---- that the parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars ---- all their rights title and interest as heirs of Jacob Metz late of said county ---

> the following described tract of land --- in --- the county of Columbiana aforesaid it being part of Section Numbered 18 of Township 9 of Range numbered 1 of the Stubenville district Beginning at the North East corner of Said Section thence West with said Section line 44 chains and 75 links to a post thence South 16 chains and 75 links to a post thence East 44 chains and 75 links to a post on said section line thence with the same north 16 chains and 75 links to the beginning containing 75 acres ----."

The deed was signed by Elizabeth, Abraham, David, Susannah, and Jacob Metz, and Abraham Augusteen. The other heirs signed with their "X".

Magdalena was living in Springfield Township in the 1820 Census of Columbiana County. With Magdalena is listed 1 male 16-18, 3 males 15-26, 1 female -10, 2 females 10-16, and Magdalena, over 45. These are some of Magdalena's children, and possibly, grandchildren. I have not found when Magdalena died or where she and Jacob are buried; possibly in a German Reformed Church in New Springfield. Springfield Township was originally in Columbiana County, was transferred to Mahoning County when Mahoning County was formed in 1846.

THE CHILDREN OF JACOB AND MAGDALENA METZ

I. BARBARA METZ - Born 1779 - 1789, in Pennsylvania or Maryland. Married Peter Barnhart on 15 Nov 1800 in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hagerstown, MD. Barbara died sometime between 1840 and 1850, probably in Springfield Township, Columbiana County, OH. Barbara is the next member of our Metz Family Line.

II. JOHN METZ - Born c1781. m Betsy (Elizabeth) Miller on 3 Jun 1805 (Bk 1, pg 13 Columbiana Co Marriages), or 6 May 1806 in Columbiana Co., OH. Listed as obtaining a 1st grantee deed on 21 May 1806 in R1 T9 Sec 18 in Columbiana Co. From the pension application WC2263, National Archives, Elizabeth, John's widow, made the following statements: John and Elizabeth (b c1788) were married at her father's farm in Columbiana County on 6 May 1806, the marriage being performed by John Mufser, JP of Springfield Twp. During the War of 1812, John Metz was drafted into Capt Jacob Gilbert's Company M, of the 2nd Ohio Infantry, commanded by Lt Col John Hindman, on 25 Aug 1812. John served at Sandusky Plains and earned $6.66 per month. He was discharged 25 Feb 1813. John died 19 Jul 1850 in Unity Township, Columbiana Co. Elizabeth applied for a widow's pension on 29 Jun 1871 at age 83. She could not write and signed the papers with an "X". Elizabeth had originally received a widow's grant of 80 acres in 1851 on Warrant #821112, issued 17 Jun 1857. Papers in this file were signed by William Metz JP, Mary C. Metz, David Augustine, Daniel Metz and Aaron Esterly. The Veterans Card File for Columbiana Co., state that John was born in 1781, died 19 Jul 1850, and was buried in the Brick Church Cemetery in Unity Township. Elizabeth died sometime after 1871.
1820 Census Columbiana Co., Unity Twp, OH., with children: 2 males and 3 females under 10.

III. MAGDALENA METZ - b prior to 1790. m Abraham Koler (Keller/Kehler/Kaler) on 6 Aug 1805 in Springfield, Columbiana Co., OH. Abraham was the Administrator of his father's estate in 1812. Listed as "Abraham Keller" on the Tax Lists for Columbiana Co in 1810. Issued a 1st grantee deed on 21 May 1806 in R1, T9, Sec 18. There were a number of "Kailer" families living in Washington Co., MD in 1800. It appears that the Kellers came to Ohio with the Augusteen and Metz families.

IV. ABRAHAM METZ - b 1780-1790. m 12 Oct 1813 to Sally (Salome/Sarah) Shively, the daughter of Jacob Shively and Barbara Thomas, in Stark Co., OH. Sally was b 1790-1800. Abraham was one of the 1st Township Officers in Nimishellen Twp., near Harrisburg in Stark Co.

THE CHILDREN OF JACOB AND MAGDALENA METZ continued:

Abraham d c1834. Sally d 22 Aug 1865 in Columbiana Co., OH
1820 & 1830 Census Stark Co., Nimishellen Twp., OH. pg 182A., & pg 231.
A. Barbara Metz - b 17 Feb 1816. m Anthony DeHoff 16 Apr 1840. d 26 Nov 1893. 9 Children.
B. George P. Metz - b
C. Elizabeth Metz - b 25 Apr 1817. m Peter Kyle on 10 May 1836. d 18 Dec 1892 Defience OH.
D. Anna Metz - b c1818. m Soloman Swihardt on 1 Oct 1835.
E. Issac Metz - b c1822. m Julia Lind on 8 Jan 1844.
F. Abraham Metz Jr. b 25 Aug 1827. m Elizabeth Patterson 1849. d 1 Feb 1876 Massillion, OH
G. Sara Metz - b c1826
H. Eli Metz - b c1824. m Sarah Swihardt on 11 Dec 1845.
I. Jacob Metz - (possible son) b 2 Feb 1827.

V. ELIZABETH "BETSY" METZ - born c1789 in PA according to the 1850 Census. m Abraham Augusteen, who may be the son of John Augustine shown living in Washington Co., MD in the 1800 Census in Upper Antietam 100 Twp. The Augusteen's evidently came to Columbiana Co. with the Metz family for there are 4 of them shown in the 1810 Tax Lists.
1850 Census Columbiana Co., Unity Twp., OH Family 170.

VI. JOSEPH METZ - born 1775 - 1794. m prior to 1819 to Rebecca Crumbacker, daughter of Jacob and Ann Castleberry Crumbacker. Rebecca was b 1794-1804. Joseph is shown in Will Book B-437 in Stark Co., OH. d 19 Oct 1847 in Perry Twp., Stark Co., OH.
1820 Census, Brown Twp., Stark Co., OH. pg 171

Children:
2 daughters b 1810-1820.
**** Isreal Metz - b 24 Jan 1824. m Lucy Freed on 24 Dec 1848. Lived in Paris Twp., Stark Co. d 1892.
Children: Harriet, Lotta, Anna, John S., Emma, and Etta Metz.

VII. DAVID METZ - born c1797. m Susannah Moneysmith on 1 Jul 1816 (Book 1, pg 254 Columbiana Co. Marriages). Susannah was b 1796.
1830 Census, Columbiana Co., OH.

VIII. JACOB METZ JR. - born 7 Jan 1800 in Hagerstown, MD. m Catharine Gislemann on 28 Jan 1823 in Columbiana Co., OH by Antonio Meyer, Pastor (Vol 2, pg 128 Columbiana Co. Marriages). Moved to Stark Co., OH in 1824. In 1853 moved to Washington Twp., Whitley Co., IN. Jacob was a Deacon in the German Baptist Church. He died 7 Jan 1881. Catharine was born 1 Jan 1803 in PA and died 24 Jun 1889 in Washington Twp, Whitley Co., IN.
1830 Census, Paris Twp, Stark Co., OH pg 192.
1860, 1870, 1880 Census, Whitley Co., IN

A. Eliza Metz - b c1824. m Samuel Wolf. d prior to 1896. They had a daughter who married Eli Goodman.
B. Sarah Metz - b 6 Mar 1826. m 1 Jul 1844 to Adam Essick (b 19 Jan 1823 - d 7 Mar 1893). Sarah d 5 Jun 1871.
    1. Malinda Essick - b 20 Mar 1850 Moultrie, OH m 1 Dec 1870 Alpheus Myers (b 13 Jun 1845 - d 9 Mar 1909). d 10 Jun 1883 Columbiana Co., OH.
    Children: Marion Emerson Myers DDS (b 10 Jun 1872-d 7 Sep 1952). m Mabel Horn.; 4 children. Frank C. Myers (b 9 Jul 1874 - d 23 Apr 1936) not m. Ira E. Myers (b 26 Jul 1877) m Ida Hayman.

THE CHILDREN OF JACOB & MAGDALENA METZ continued:

C. Catharine Metz - b c1827. m 5 Jan 1850 to Martin Hoke. d prior 1896.
D. Margaretta Metz - b c1829. d prior to 1896.
E. Aaron Metz - b c1832. m Mary A. Prickett. d 8 Oct 1878 in Noble Co. IN.
  Children: William F., Idela., Flora J., (son) Metz d infancy, Calvert J., and Norval E. Metz.
F. Lewis Metz - b c1830. m 6 Jan 1853 to Sarah Spinkle. Living in Oswego, IN in 1896.
G. Ozias Metz - b 29 Dec 1833 in Stark Co., OH. m 1st in 1862, Christina Shively, a daughter of Anna Shively. Christina d in 1863. m 2nd Nancy Wagner. m 3rd Fannie Rhum Syre. Living in Whitley Co., IN in the 1860 Census. Ozias d 26 Apr 1901 Whitley, IN
  From 2nd Marriage to Nancy Wagner:
  1. Maggie Metz - b c1866. m William Harrid.
  2. Cora Olive Metz - b c1870. m John Eberhard.
  3. Irom T. Metz - b
  4. Estella Metz - b
  From 3rd Marriage:
  5. Omer R. Metz - b
  6. Arthur R. Metz - b
H. Caroline Metz - b 1835. m 21 Feb 1856 to Emry Spinkle in Whitley Co., IN.
I. Moses Metz - b 1839. Lived in Columbia City, IN.
J. Manassas Metz - b 1840. d prior to 1896.
K. Rachel Metz - b c1842. m Martin Hoke on 27 Feb 1862 in Huntington Co., IN. This may be the same Martin Hoke who married Rachel's sister Catharine (C. above).

IX. SUSANNAH METZ - b . A possible daughter of Jacob and Magdalena. We have no data on Susannah.

X. SEBASTIAN METZ - b . A possible son of Jacob and Magdalena. Married Anna Catharina Wirth and supposedly had 8 children. We have no other data on Sebastian.

In the Memorial Record of Northeastern Indiana, Lewis Publishing Co. of Chicago, 1896, on pages 326 - 328, there is a biography of Ozias Metz, VIII. G., above. The biography states that ---- (Ozias) "traces his ancestry in the agnatic line as follows: Jacob Metz, his father, was born in Hagerstown, Maryland, 7 January 1800 (Jacob Metz Jr. VIII, above), son of Jacob Metz (page 179), a native of Pennsylvania. The father of the latter gentleman was also born in Pennsylvania. (this would be Ludwig Metz Sr (page 174), and his father came to this country from Switzerland prior to the Revolutionary period in this country. The Mr Metz who came here from Switzerland was the son of a Frenchman, and his settlement was made in Lancaster, Pennsylvania." This appears to be an accurate history of our Metz family.

**** Pg 183 VI. Joseph Metz/ Isreal Metz. Newton and Virginia Poling, 10822 Oak Valley Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21740, descend from this line and have written a book on the Crumbacker Family, published in Feb 1996. They are excellent historians for the Hagerstown, MD area.

**** Pg 178 VI. F. Elizabeth Metz. Mr Chester A. Burn of York, PA is a gggrandson of Jacob Burn and Elizabeth Metz.

**** Pg 178 VIII, C., 6. David Metz: Mr Douglas C. Metz, 1895 Bruce Lane, Grand Island, NY 14072 is a great grandson of David. Doug and James A. Depew assembled a 259 page book in 1996, listing almost 35,000 names of persons who descend from Ludwig Metz Sr right up to the present generations! Doug and I exchanged information back and forth for several years.

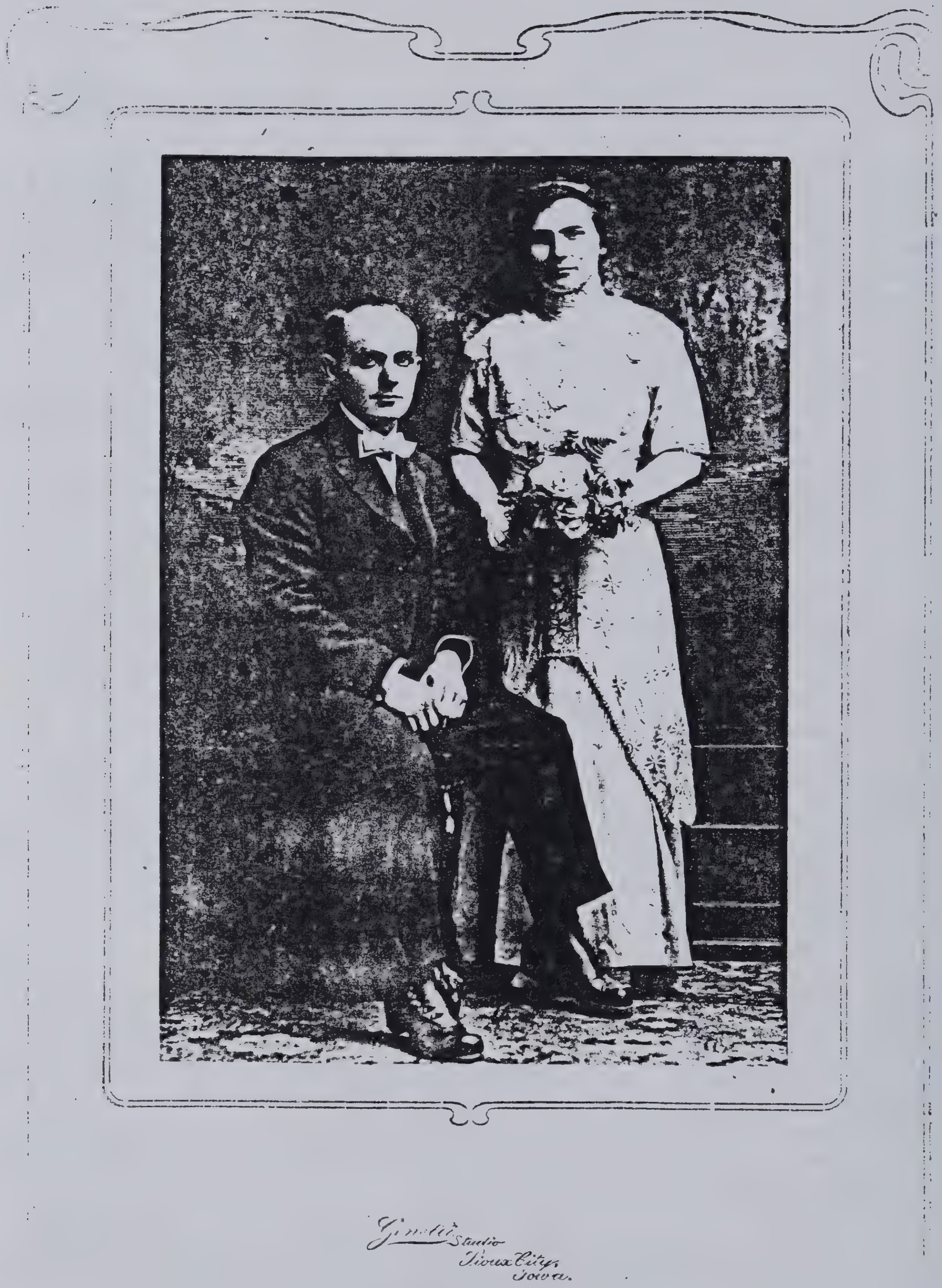
THE CHILDREN OF JOHN H. ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART

I. EMMA MAY ROCKWELL - born 29 October, 1869 in the original home on the Rockwell homestead, west of Homer, Nebraska. Emma married Samuel Shaffer about 1887 in Nebraska. Samuel had previously married Emma's cousin, Melvina McEntarffer (see page 111) who died of TB, leaving Samuel, with two sons, Arthur and Charles, and daughter, Blanche Shaffer. Emma and Samuel evidently moved to the Northwest shortly after their marriage. Emma died 10 March, 1948 and is buried in Chehallis, Washington.

- A. Jessie May Shaffer - b 22 Feb 1888 in Nebraska. m William Costello in Wenatchee, WA in July 1906. Jessie died in 1964.
  - 1. Alice Costello - b 1915 in Centralia, WA. m Robert Myer. Lived in Kirkland, WA.
- B. Blanch Shaffer - b 14 Jan 1890. d Nov 1902. (This daugheter, "Blanch", may be confused with the "Blanch" from Samuel's 1st marriage, who also died about age 19)
- C. Rose Ellen Shaffer - b 25 Sep 1892. m Louis C. Wood on 1 Nov 1911. Louis died Oct 1959. Rose was living in Chehallis, WA in 1973.
  - 1. Vera Irene Wood - b 27 Dec 1912 in Turner, OR. m Harry Roberts in Sep 1937.
    - a. Warren Roberts - b c 1950. m a widow with 2 daughters.
  - 2. Kenneth L. Wood - b 25 Mar 1916 in Great Falls, MT. m Laura Tucker in 1937. Lived in Seattle, WA.
    - a. Gary Wood - b . m Lived in Shelton, WA. Children: 1 son, b c1971.
    - b. Jim Wood - b . m twice. Children: 1 son b c1971 & 3 daughters.
    - c. (daughter) Wood - b
  - 3. Jack C. Wood - b 11 Nov 1918 in Great Falls, MT. m Muriel Witte in 1936. Lived in Seattle, WA.
    - a . - c. 3 daughters
- D. Howard Rockwell Shaffer - b 14 Dec 1894. m 1st Florence Besse in 1913. m 2nd Marie ______ . Lived in Vancouver, WA.
  - 1. Dorothy Shaffer - b
  - 2. Barbara Shaffer - b
  - 3. Robert Shaffer - b deceased prior to 1970.
  - 4. John Shaffer - b

II. GEORGE EDWARD ROCKWELL - born 4 July, 1870 in the original home on the Rockwell homestead, west of Homer, Nebraska. m Rose Salena Hager on 26 Oct 1892. Rose, the daughter of Sarah Howard and John Hager, was born 6 Aug 1866 in Oberlin, OH, and died 7 Sep 1939 in Emmerson, NE. George was a farmer wiih their home on Fiddlers Creek, west of Homer (see the Map on pg 130). George died 14 Jan 1939.

- A. Abbie Faye Rockwell - b 13 Aug 1893 in Homer, NE. m Joseph Davis on 23 May 1924. d 17 Feb 1926. No children.
- B. Amy Elizabeth Rockwell - b 17 Jan 1895 in Homer, NE. m Earl David Steele in Homer on 13 Feb 1915. Earl was b 17 Jun 1890, the son of David Marian Steele (b 18 Nov 1864 Pickering, MO - d 30 Nov 1950 Sioux City, IA) and Kittie O'Dell Inman. David and Kittie were married in Sidney, IA 21 Feb 1887 and had 9 children. Earl's grandfather was Stacy Steele who died as a result of his service during the Civil War c1866. Earl was b 17 Jul 1890 and d 26 May 1970. Amy was living in Colorado in 1980.
  - 1. Forrest Earl Steele - b 8 Jan 1917 in Emerson, NE. m Bernadine Kai on 14 Feb 1940.
    - a. Nancy Steele - b
    - b. Warren Steele - b
    - c. Jane Steele - b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THE WEDDING PICTURE OF
AMY ELIZABETH ROCKWELL AND EARL DAVID STEELE
13 FEBRUARY, 1915

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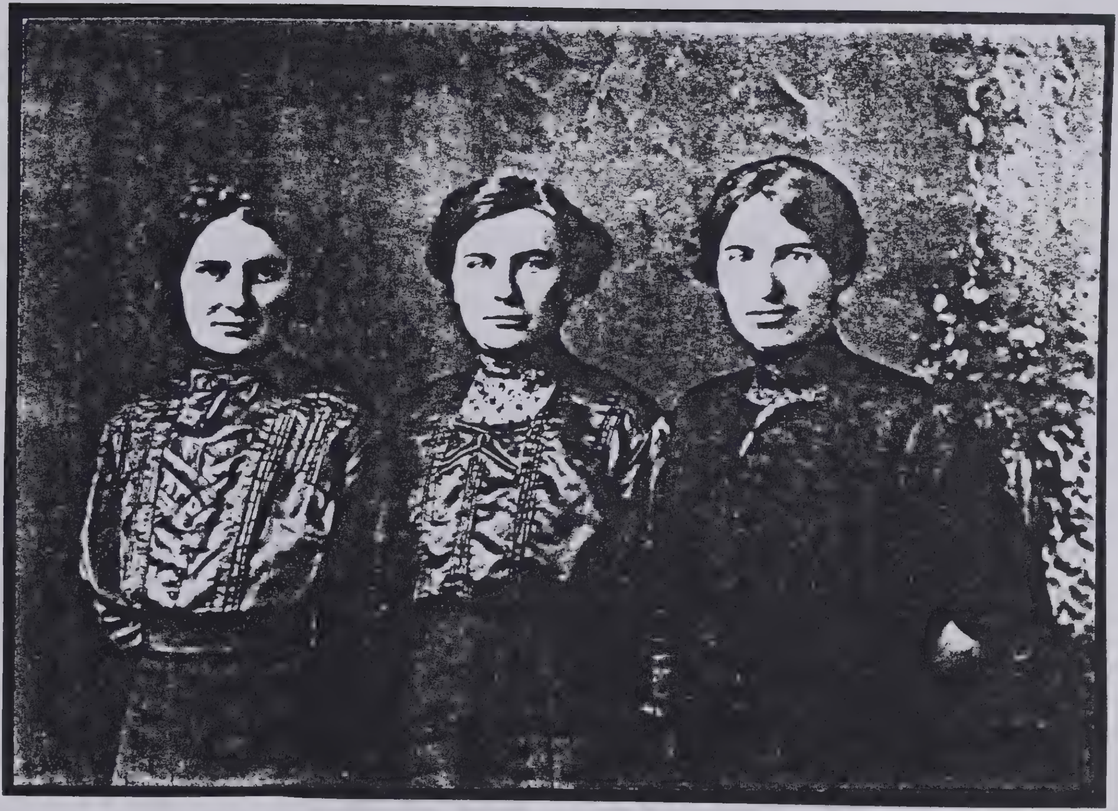

THREE ROCKWELL SISTERS c1914
DAUGHTERS OF GEORGE AND ROSE ROCKWELL

ABBIE	AMY	ALMA
1893 - 1926	1895 -	1900 - 1917

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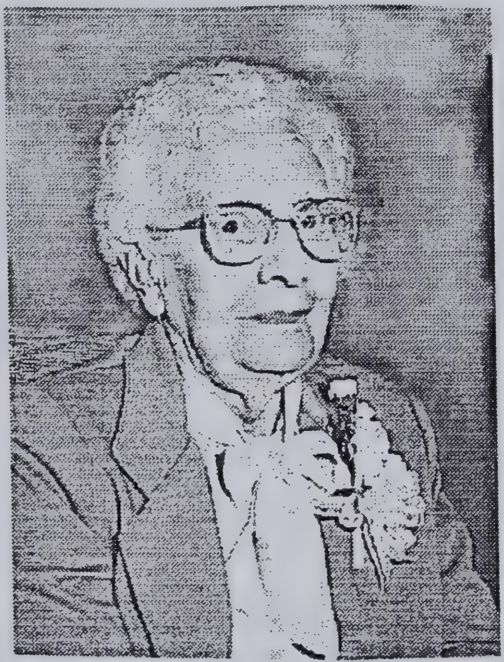
THE CHILDREN OF JOHN H. ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART continued:

2. Dorothy Iola Steele - b 17 Apr 1919 and d as an infant.
3. Doris Iona Steele - b 17 Apr 1919 (the twin sister of Dorothy). m Thomas R. Brown on 16 Apr 1945.
    a. Ray Brown - b
    b. Mark Brown - b
    c. Bill Brown - b

C. Alma May Rockwell - b 27 May 1900 in Homer, NE. d 18 Oct 1917 of tuberculosis. Buried in the Taylor Cemetery, Homer.

III. DANIEL HANDY ROCKWELL - born 5 Sep 1874 on the Rockwell homestead west of Homer. Married Ella Covell in 1896. Ella was born 17 Jun 1876 west of Homer. Dan's first farm was near the Missouri River, northwest of Homer. He then lived at the Rockwell homestead, moved to Pender, NE, and then returned to the homestead for a while, then in 1913, moved to Agate, CO. Dan died in Denver, CO on 24 Aug 1928 of complications following an appendix operation. Dan and Ella are buried in the Fairmont Cemetery in Denver.

**** A. Hazel E. Rockwell - born 7 Apr 1897 north of Homer, NE. m Elmer R. Broyhill on 5 Jul 1917 in Ponca, NE. Elmer was b in Dakota City, NE on 6 Mar 1892. Hazel was a school teacher. In 1979, by pure chance, her Aunt Linnie Rockwell Shook, moved into the same housing complex that Hazel lived in in Mesa, AZ. She celebrated her 100th birthday on 7 Apr 1997 with a family reunion where Hazel lived in Torrington, WY! All of their children were born in Dakota City, NE.



HAZEL ROCKWELL BROYHILL
at her 100th Birthday celebration, 7 Apr 1997

1. Nadine Marjorie Broyhill - b 25 Nov 1919. d 17 Jun 1922.
2. Kenneth Dean Broyhill - b 3 Oct 1921. m Lillian Conway (b 9 Feb 1921 - d 13 Jan 1992) on 5 Jul 1945. Ken had joined the US Air Force in 1942 and rose to the rank of Lt. Col. When Lillian died, Ken remarried to Vivian R_____ (b 7 Dec 1936 in Senath, MI) on 22 Nov 1992 in LasVegas, NV. They lived in Victoriaville, CA.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN H, ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART continued:

a. Michael Lewis Broyhill (adopted) - b 28 May 1942 in Kearney, NE. m Ann Elizabeth Jones 26 Jan 1966 in Maidenhead, England. d 9 Sep 1971. Children: Kelly Lynn Broyhill (b 15 Nov 1966 in Taplow England, m ___Fogg 28 Jun 1997 in England.

3. Maxine Lorraine Broyhill - b 17 Feb 1929. m Glenn Sigea (b 22 Sep 1924) on 21 Sep 1947 in Kearney, NE.

a. Teresa Lynn Sigea - b 29 Aug 1949 in Torrington, WY. m Dudley Mead Haines Jr (b 19 Jul 1944) on 15 Jun 1968 in Torrington, WY.

(1). Kirk Dudley Haines - b13 Nov 1970. m Michelle Jackson on 28 Dec 1996 in Heidleburg, Germany. Michelle's parents were US Army, stationed in Germany. Children: Katrina Marie Haines - b 19 Oct 1996 Denver, CO.

(2). Jennifer eileen Haines - b 14 Oct 1973 Laramie, WY. m Bert Bennett III (b 26 Feb 1975 Murry, UT) on 10 Aug 1996 in Lingle, WY.

b. Janet Eileen Sigea - b 17 Feb 1955 Kearney, NE. d 21 Jul 1972 in Torrington, WY in a motorcycle accident.

c. James Glenn Sigea - b 25 Feb 1958 in Torrington, WY. m Rhonda Uhrich (b 10 Oct 1955) on 27 Feb 1982 in Torrington, WY.

4. Doris Evelyn Broyhill - b 2 Aug 1930 Dakota City, NE. m Keith Fredericks (b 30 Jul 1926 - d 25 Sep 1972 Kearney NE). m 2nd Gerald L. Baker (b 16 Mar 1927 in Wood River, NE). on 28 Nov 1980 in Kearney, NE.

a. Candyce M. Fredericks - b 2 Apr 1950 Kearney, NE. m James Perry Prentiss (b 8 Aug 1948 Omaha, NE) on 31 Jul 1976 in Omaha, NE.

(1) Abbie Kristine Prentiss - b 23 May 1980 Omaha, NE.
(2) Robert Fredericks Prentiss - b 25 Aug 1982 Omaha, NE.
(3) Andrew James Prentiss - b 2 Mar 1988 Omaha, NE.

b. Deborah L. Fredericks - b 23 Jun 1951 in Kearney, NE. m Dan J. Smith (b 1 Jan 1950 Milford, NE) on 23 May 1973. Divorced.

(1) Sara A. Smith - b 8 Feb 1977 Portland, OR.
(2) Kyla L. Smith - b 23 Jun 1983 McMinnville, OR.

c. Susan Kay Fredericks - b 9 Nov 1953 Bridgeport, OR. m Jeffrey Bruce Porter (b 27 Jun 1952 Friend, NE) on 20 Feb 1977 in Kearney, NE.

(1) Seth Michael Porter - b 7 May 1980 in Cleveland, OH
(2) Samantha Kate - b 12 Jun 1985 Hastings, NE.
(3) Mackenzie Brooke - b 17 Aug 1987 Hastings, NE.

d. David K. Fredericks - b 1 Oct 1955 Denver, CO. m Ann Giberson (b 2 Dec 1957 Des Moines) on 16 Jul 1983 in Des Moines, IA.

(1) Laura Fredericks - b 27 Aug 1985.
(2) Amy E. Fredericks - b 7 Oct 1991.

e. Gayle L. Fredericks - b 28 Feb 1958 Denver, CO. m David P. Sardella (b 9 Jun 1958 Niagara Falls, NY) on 27 Mar 1984 Phoenix, AZ.

(1) Nicole L. Sardella - b 15 Mar 1986 Phoenix, AZ.
(2) Anthony K. Sardella - b 23 Feb 1988 Phoenix, AZ.
(3) Dominick J.I Sardella - b 9 Jan 1994 - twin - Phoenix, AZ.
(4) David P. Sardella - b 9 Jan 1994 - twin - Phoenix, AZ.

5. Gordon Elmer Broyhill - b 28 Jan 1933. m Shirley Pentowski in 1960. d 29 Oct 1967 in Phoenix, AZ. Children are all adopted.

a. Mike Broyhill - b Nov 1952.
b. Patrick Broyhill - b Jun 1954.
c. Keven Broyhill - b Jul 1956.

CHILDREN OF JOHN H. ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART continued:

B. Harley Earl Rockwell - born 4 Nov 1898 in Homer, NE. Married Pearl Elizabeth Kellog (b 8 May 1898 Portage, WI.)) on 1 Jun 1920 in Denver, CO. Harley was primarily a dairy farmer in Colorado until they moved to Phoenix, AZ in 1956. He then helped his son, Floyd in his sanitation business up into his early 70's. Harley d 18 Nov 1989 in Phoenix, AZ. Hazel died d 22 Apr 1988 Phoenix, AZ. Both Harley & Pearl chose cremation.

1. Norman Harley Rockwell - b 5 Apr 1921 in Agate, CO. m Helen Arlene Hutchins on 10 May 1941. Divorced 1958 and Helen d 10 Sep 1987 in Phoenix. Norman m 2nd Pamela Kay Hirt (b 28 Mar 1952 Pichmond, IN) on 9 Jun 1984 in Page Springs, AZ.

a. James Philip Rockwell - b 12 Jan 1943 in Denver, CO.

b. JoAnn Rockwell - b 5 May 1944 in Denver, CO. m Ronald Ryan in 1964 in Phoenix Az. Divorced 1965.

1. Rindi Ryan - b 2 Sep 1964 Phoenix. m Roger Hupe (b 26 Jan 1966 The Dalles, OR) on 26 Sep 1987 in Phoenix.

a. Stephanie C. Hupe - b 10 Mar 1988 Phoenix.

b. Briana S. Hupe - b 27 Nov 1989 Las Vegas, NV.

c. Caitlin C. Hupe - b 21 Jul 1991 Phoenix.

c. Gary Lynn Rockwell - b 21 Mar 1956 in Denver, CO.

**** 2. Floyd Elmer Rockwell - b 20 Dec 1925 in Agate, CO. m Shirley Eileen Blunk 16 Jun 1946 in Denver, CO. Shirley was b 7 Dec 1924. The moved to Phoenix AZ in Jan 1956 where Floyd established his own sanitation business for 33 years.

a. Linda Lee Rockwell - b 1 Dec 1952 in Denver, CO. m Lee Kohlhase in Mar 1976. Divorced Jan 1984, no children. m 2nd Douglas Harold Merritt (b 29 Feb 1948 Dryden, MI) on 1 Jun 1`985 in Phoenix, AZ.. Doug has one daughter by a previous marriage; Kendra Merritt b 29 Apr 1977.

(1) Kyle Douglas Merritt - b 6 Dec 1896 Phoenix.

b. Karen Lee Rockwell - b 9 Sep 1954 Phoenix, AZ. m Bruce Essig on 20 Jun 1987. Divorced 23 Aug 1991, no children. m 2nd David Prescott (b 26 Jan 1950) on 20 Oct 1993 in Phoenix. Doug has one daughter by previous marriage: Shanon Prescott b 25 Nov 1979.

C. Meano Eileen Rockwell - b 15 Apr 1900 in Pender, CO. m Clarence Garl c 1917. Clarence was killed in a tractor accident c1930. Meano m 2nd Dell Shoop c1938.

1. Arlene Garl - b c1918.
2. Forrest "Buzz" Garl - b c1919.
3. Cecil Garl - b c1924.
4. Bonnie Garl - b c1926.

D. Wallace Rockwell - b . died at about 3 months of age. Buried in the Taylor Cemetery in Homer, NE.

IV. <u>FLORENCE ROCKWELL</u> - Born 6 February 1883 at the Rockwell homestead west of Homer, NE. Florence married Edward John Munger in Homer on 22 Oct, 1902. Florence and Ed were 2nd cousins (see page 99). Ed was born 18 May 1880 in Garrett, Indiana, the son of Lodema Rockwell and a full -blood Maumee Indian named John. Family stories suggest that Ed was raised by a Doctor Munger from whom he took the name, Munger. Since a number of Rockwells had left DeKalb Co, IN and settled in Homer, NE, Ed joined his mother's relatives in Nebraska in his late teens. Florence and Ed established a hardware and undertaking business in Homer. When their youngest child died of typhoid fever, Ed had the unpleasant task of preparing her for burial. To compound the problem, a fire started in the store and Ed had to rush inside to rescue her body and headstone. Perhaps because of his Indian blood, Ed was a counselor and worked with the Indians at the Winnebago Reservation just south of Homer. When Florence's father, John Handy Rockwell, decided to move to Collins, New York, Ed and Florence and Florence's sister, Linnie Rockwell Shook and her husband, Ted, decided to accompany them. They made the move by rail in February 1916. After a short stay in Collins, Ed and Florence and their family, moved to Lackawanna, NY, just south of Buffalo, where Ed worked in the steel mills there. About 1924 they bought a 183 acre farm near Angelica, NY. While he did some farming, Ed is better remembered as a carpenter, building many homes and barns in the Bath, Angelica, and Nunda areas. Ed and Florence were avid fishermen, and Ed was also a great hunter. Ed died 11 Jul 1954 of prostate cancer and is buried in the southwest corner of Livingston County near where he loved to fish. Florence then moved to Florida to live with her son, Loyd. She died in Durant, Fl on 25 Aug 1969 and is buried in the Bloomingdale Cemetery.

A. Inez Munger - born 1 Apr 1904 in Homer. died 26 Sep 1905 and buried in the Taylor Cemetery in Homer.

B. Bertha Marie Munger - born 27 Apr 1905 in Homer. m Harold Nelson Caldwell. Bertha died of cancer on 16 May 1956 in Westfield, NY. No children.

C. Beatrice Madoline Munger - b 4 Jun 1907 in Homer. m Clarence Henry North on 23 Jun 1930 on the Munger family farm near Angelica, NY. Clarence was b 9 Jun 1903. They lived on Modern Ave in Lackawanna. Beatrice d on 29 Oct 1992 in a nursing home in Lackawanna.

1. Dean Henry North - b 23 Aug 1931 in Lackawanna. m Zadia Horne in 1953. Divorced in 1956. m 2nd Dorothy Gill on 11 Dec 1956 in Lucedale, MS.

a. Dawn North - b 4 Apr 1953 in Pensacola, FL. m _____

b. Machael Brett North - b 10 Jun 1954 in Baldwin, AL. Drowned in the Tensaw River in 1986.

c. Rayce North - b 17 Jun 1958 in Mobile, AL. m Janice Dailey on 24 Dec 1982 in TX.

(1) James North - b 28 Jan 1983 in TX.

(2) Rachel North - b 3 Feb 1985 in Birmingham, AL.

d. Mark North - b 4 Oct 1963 in Mobile, AL. m m Ellen Ray on 18 Feb 1989.

e. Sharon North - b 8 Sep 1965 in Mobile, AL. m Mark Freeman on 10 Feb 1986 in Birmingham, AL.

(1) Jacquelyn Nicole Freeman - b 31 Jul 1987.

(2) Dusttin Mark Freeman - b 26 Oct 1990 in Birmingham, AL.

2. Donna Marie North - b 31 Dec 1934 in Lackawanna. m William Thomas Gill on 4 Jul 1959. William b 28 Mar 1935.

a. Stuart Wyle Gill - b 1 Mar 1963 in Ankara, Turkey. m Rebecca Lynn Gillen on 21 Apr 1987 in Gray, TN.

(1) Jaret Alexander Gill - b 22 Sep 1987 Johnson City, TN.

(2) Matthew Vincent Gill - b 3 Jul 1989 St Petersburg, FL.

b. Cory William Gill - b 29 Sep 1967 Key West, FL.

c. Colby Thomas Gill - b 2 Jul 1972 in Jacksonville, FL.

3. Bonnie Irene North - b 10 Feb 1939 in Lackawanna, NY.

D. Leo "Red" Edward Munger - b 15 Oct 1908 in Homer. m Grace Aalberg Guernsey on 4 May 1929 on the family farm in Angelica. Div 1949 in Buffalo, NY. m 2nd Violet Harsh on 8 Mar 1952 in Ripley, PA. Violet died and Red m 3rd Odessa Kiker on 24 Jul 1989 in Locust, NC.

1. Dorothy Eileen Munger - b 22 Aug 1930 in Angelica, NY. m Jerry D. Wright on 17 Jun 1963 in Cumberland.

a. Phillip Owen Wright - b 17 Jun 1964 in Medina, NY.

b. Pamela Jeanne Wright - b 8 Aug 1965. m Marc Richard Feliz on 26 Apr 1991.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN H. ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART continued:

2. Lawrence Edward Munger - b 7 Feb 1934 in Belmont, NY. m Marion Parker in Buffalo. d 27 Feb 1987 in Garden Grove, CA.
    a. Rebecca Munger - b
    b. Darrell Munger - b
    c. Scott Munger - b : twins
    d. Jason Munger - b :

E. Florence "Flossie" Emma Munger - b 14 Jun 1914 in Homer. m 1st Vivian Ackerman on 6 Nov 1932. This marriage was annulled. m 2nd on 30 Jun 1939 to Oristus E. Cline who worked for a water power company. d 24 Dec 1983 in Wellsville, NY.
1. Inez Ackerman - b 3 Jul 1936 on the family farm in Angelica. m Eugene Peter Lodge, a pharmacist, on 3 Sep 1955 in Bath, NY. Divorced. Eugene d May 1990. m 2nd Richard Warner on 19 Oct 19__. Divorced. Richard d 1993.
    a. Ann Marie Lodge - b 13 Jan 1957 in Albany, NY. m David Stormsneff on 26 Oct 1983 in Bath, NY.
        (1) Benjamin David Stormsneff - b 10 Jan 1984 in Carmel, NY.
        (2) Michael Arnie Stormsneff - b 21 Nov 1985 in Binghamton, NY.
        (3) Elizabeth Ann Stormsneff - b 30 Jun 1988 in Carmel, NY.
        (4) Stephen Carl Stormsneff - b 17 Aug 1990 in Carmel, NY.
    b. Mary Jane Lodge - b 28 Oct 1959. d 28 Dec 1959.
    c. Joan Ellen Lodge - b 1 Sep 1960 in Canandaigua, NY. m Duane Waldo on 4 Nov 1978 in Bath, NY. Divorced. m 2nd Joseph Davis on Sep 1982. Divorced. m 3rd Arthur Sutfin on 16 Jun 1990 in Avoca, NY.
        (1) Jason Christopher Davis - b 7 Nov 1983 in Germany.
        (2) Jeremy Paul Davis - b 13 Aug 1985 in Bath, NY.
        (3) Anthony William Sutfin - b 5 Mar 1992
    d. Diana Mae Lodge - b 5 Jun 1963 in Bath. m Dana Hare on 24 Jan 1981.
        (1) Andrew Lee Hare - b 11 Sep 1982 in San Antonio, TX.
        (2) Stephanie Lynn Hare - b 2 Jul 1986 in Bath, NY.
    e. Jean Kay Lodge - b 26 Nov 1996 in Wellsville, NY. m Marvin Smith 16 Jul 1983 in Bradford, NY
        (1) Kyle Gene Smith - b 18 Mar 1986. d 19 Sep 1990.
    f. Linda Sue Lodge - b 30 Jan 1968 in Wellsville, NY. m Jeffrey Robins on 23 Sep 1989 in Bath, NY.
        (1) Samuel Jeffrey Robins - b
2. Dale O. Cline - b 7 Jul 1940 in Wellsville, NY.
    a. Jeffrey Cline - b c1970.
3. David E. Cline - b 29 Oct 1941. m _______
    a. Lisa Cline - b c1966. m Michael Lindsay.
    b. Scott Cline - b c1968. m _____
        (1) Amanda Cline - b c1988.
    c. Daniel Cline - b c1974.
4. Diana Cline - b 4 Nov 1946. m _____ Loughlin. Divorced. m 2nd Erik Sadle.
    a. Tracey Loughlin - b 4 Nov 1968.
    b. Heather Loughlin - b 3 Jan 1971.

F. Irene Tessable Munger - b 31 Jul 1916 in Collins, NY. m Dr Donald V. Potter on 6 Sep 1936. Donald, a dentist, retired after 44 years in practice in 1983. They lived in Attica, NY and retired to Winterhaven, FL.
1. Paul E. Potter - b 4 Aug 1947 in Attica, NY. m Linda Gilbert on 6 Jun 1970. Paul is an Engineer for SONYPOT.
    a. Amamda Marie Potter - b 2 Jul 1977.
    b. Laura Irene Potter - b 12 Apr 1980.

THE CHILDREN OF JOHN H, ROCKWELL & MALINDA BARNHART continued:

        c. Matthew Potter - b 2 Apr 1984.
        d. John Potter - b 31 May 1987.
    2. Patricia Irene Potter - b 17 Mar 1951 in Attica, NY. m Philip Banaszak 29 Dec 1973. Divorced. m 2nd Richard George Rilcher (b 15 Feb 1950) on 30 Nov 1996.
        a. Joshua Banaszak - b 4 Jun 1975.

G. Loyd Estin "Buster" Munger - b 5 Nov 1921 in Lackawanna, NY. m Elizabeth Quant at the farm near Angelica, NY on 24 Apr 1942. They later lived in Valrico, FL.

    1. Maynard Munger - b
    2. Nancy Munger - b
    3. Ronald Munger - b
    4. Michael Munger - b
    5. Vicki Munger - b
    6. Cheryl Ann Munger - b
    7. Loyd Edward Munger - (twin) - b
    8. Leo Edward Munger - (twin) - b . m Judy _____.

V. LINNIE FAY ROCKWELL - born 21 July, 1889 on the Rockwell homestead west of Homer, NE. Married Cleveland Eldred "Ted" Shook on 12 Aug 1913 in Sioux City, IA. Moved to Collins, NY in 1916, and later to Eden, NY. Linnie died in Mesa, AZ on 10 Feb 1980. Linnie is the next generation in our Rockwell line.

**** III., A. Hazel E. Rockwell Broyhill, as she approaches her 102st birthday, lives at 2025 East F Street, #104, Torrington, WY 82240. At 100 years of age, she still had a sense of humor and a sharp mind. Hazel was a great help in assembling data on this generation of the Rockwell family over the course of many years.

**** III., B., 2. Floyd Elmer Rockwell, 3343 W. Glenn Drive, Phoenix, AZ, 85051-8324 assisted in updating data on the family of Daniel Handy Rockwell.

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OUR ,TWELFTH ROCKWELL GENERATION

LINNIE FAY ROCKWELL & CLEVELAND ELDRED "TED" SHOOK

Linnie Fay Rockwell was born on the Rockwell family homestead, west of Homer, Nebraska, on the 21st of July, 1889. Linnie was the youngest of the three daughters and two sons of John Handy Rockwell and his wife, Malinda Barnhart who homesteaded in Nebraska after the Civil War.

Linnie's education started in the school on Fiddler Creek which she attended for about a year while the family still lived on the homestead. After the family move into Homer, she attended the 3 room school there. The children sat in rows by grade with two children to a desk. When a child was called upon to recite, they went to the front of the room. Discipline was very strict and the strap was used frequently to keep order. This school went up to the 10th grade, which was deemed adequate at that time for preparing the students for their later lifes endeavors. Linnie met her future husband, Ted Shook, at this school and they were in the same class. Ted Shook's family lived about 2 blocks from the Rockwell home in Homer.

Linnie's home life was not too pleasant in that discipline at home was very strict. House and garden chores consumed most of her free time before and after school, and on weekends. During her last years of school, she worked for a seamstress in town, where she learned to sew, a skill she displayed all her life and passed on to her daughters. Linnie graduated with the 1st 10th grade graduating class from the Homer School in 1906. After she graduated, she worked as a telephone operator at the local telephone office, and later, as a clerk in the Ashford's General Store.

Christmas was a joyful time in the Rockwell home. Pine trees were not available, so a Christmas tree was created from a cottonwood branch. The branch was decorated with strings made by alternating cranberries and popcorn threaded on a string. Cotton balls were made to add additional color and decoration. Popcorn was a weekly treat at home - they grew their own! The only toy that Linnie could remember having as a child was a doll that her brother, Ed and his wife, Rosey, gave her.

Entertainment consisted of attendance at church affairs, visiting friends and relatives, house dances, ice skating at the creek in the wintertime, and an occasional medicine show in the summer. They did occasionally get back up to the old homestead for a visit. Linnie described the house as having: --

> ---"four bedrooms, a pantry and screened porch on the front. The wood floor in the kitchen was polished white from repeated scrubbings. The living room had a big hooked rag rug; the bedrooms were small with one window each and a hooked rag rug on the floor."

Linnie played a foot pumped organ in the Methodist Church and Sunday School. Around the 4th of July every year the Indians on the Winnebago and Omaha Reservation, south of town, gathered for a tribal celebration. Their singing and dancing could be heard for miles, and the children used to watch from the hills near town. Then she was 17, about 1906, her parents took her on a trip to Seattle, Washington to see her older sister, Emma Shaffer. They traveled by the Northern Pacific Railway and saw the World's Fair in Portland, then, Salt Lake City, Colorado Springs and Denver, Colorado, and returned home to Nebraska. That was quite an adventure, and an experience very few rural folks would ever have the opportunity to experience.

On August 12th, 1913, she married Cleveland Eldred "Ted" Shook, in Sioux City, Iowa. Linnie continued to work after their marriage in Ashford's General Store in town. While Linnie was carrying their first child, Harold, both Ted and Linnie caught smallpox. They were quarantined for a month, and could not leave their house. Their neighbors brought them food, leaving it on their doorstep to avoid contact with this illness. They both recovered without any after-effects, and Harold was born on 31 May, 1914, without any problems.

They "shopped around" and found land was much cheaper "back East" than it was in the mid-West. Ted and Linnie, Linnie's mother and father, and Linnie's sister, Florence Munger and her husband, packed up and moved by rail to a farm they had purchased at Collins Station on Lennox Road, in Erie County, New York. This move was made in 1916. After WW I, they sold that farm and moved to a new farm on New Jerusalem Road in the Town of Eden in Erie County. There had been 110 days of snow and the move was made by bobsled. Linnie's parents purchased the farm next door to Ted and Linnie.

They raised truck garden crops on the farm in Eden, a lot of the work in the fields being done with teams of horses. During the WW II period, Linnie worked at the Curtis-Wright aircraft plant in Buffalo. After the war, they cut back on truck garden crops and ran a riding stable with 7 or 8 saddle horses, but, they still retained a team of work horses. Linnie then worked in the Eden Central School cafeteria, while Ted served as an Erie County Deputy Sheriff, and later as Chief of Police for the Town of Eden.

Ted and Linnie were divorced in 1952 and they sold the farm. Linnie later married Ernest Steinfatt, whose wife had died earlier. Ernest and his wife, and Ted and Linnie had been friends for many years previously. Ernest and Linnie lived in Ernest's home in Gowanda, New York. They later separated and divorced and Linnie moved to Lakeland, Florida where her daughter, Beryl and her husband, Floyd Gier, lived. When Ted retired, he also moved to Lakeland, and at that time they reconciled and were remarried. A good many Florida Bass and catfish ended up in the frying pan through their combined skills as fishermen!

In March of 1973, they moved to Tempe, and later Mesa, Arizona, to be near their youngest daughter, Marjorie Close. Linnie was in relatively good health, active and spent quite a bit of time making beautiful quilts and crocheted items right up to the end of her life. She suffered a heart attack/stroke, was hospitalized, and died on the 10th of February, 1980 in Mesa, Arizona, just 5 months short of her 91st birthday. Linnie was cremated and her ashes spread over the mountains to the east of their home. When she died, she left 3 children, 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren!

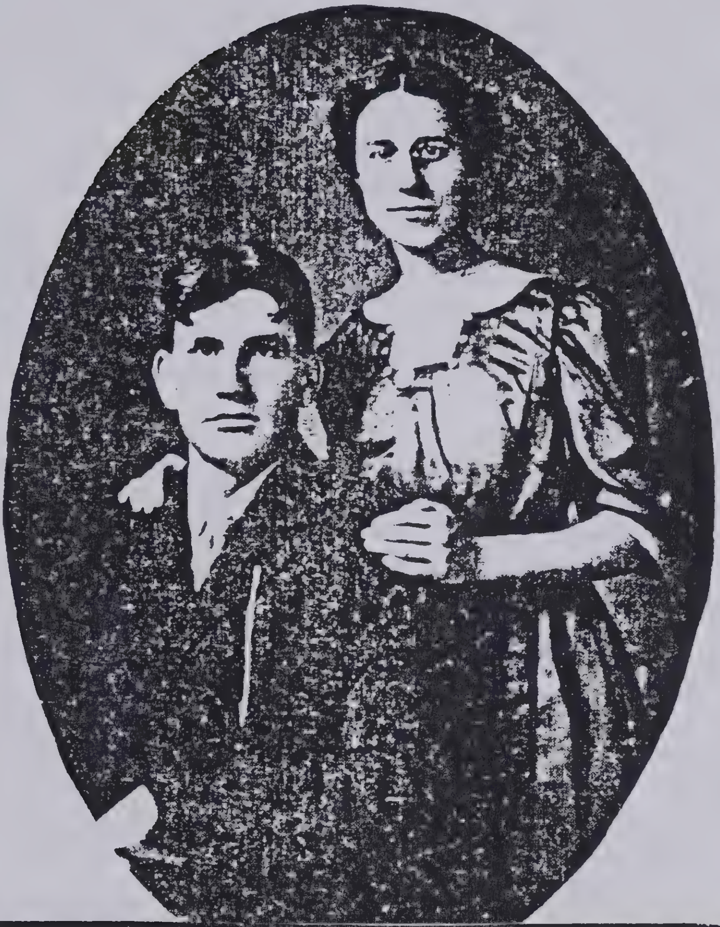
Linnie is remembered as about 5' 4" tall, medium build, brown eyes, and in her youth, had dark brown hair. She was a good humored woman, practical and hard working - a helper, an encourager, and a teacher for her children and grandchildren. She was independent, but friendly and enjoyed dancing and card playing, especially in her younger years. She was the typical woman of her generation: family oriented, helpful and caring - a good all-around mother and wife. We all miss her!

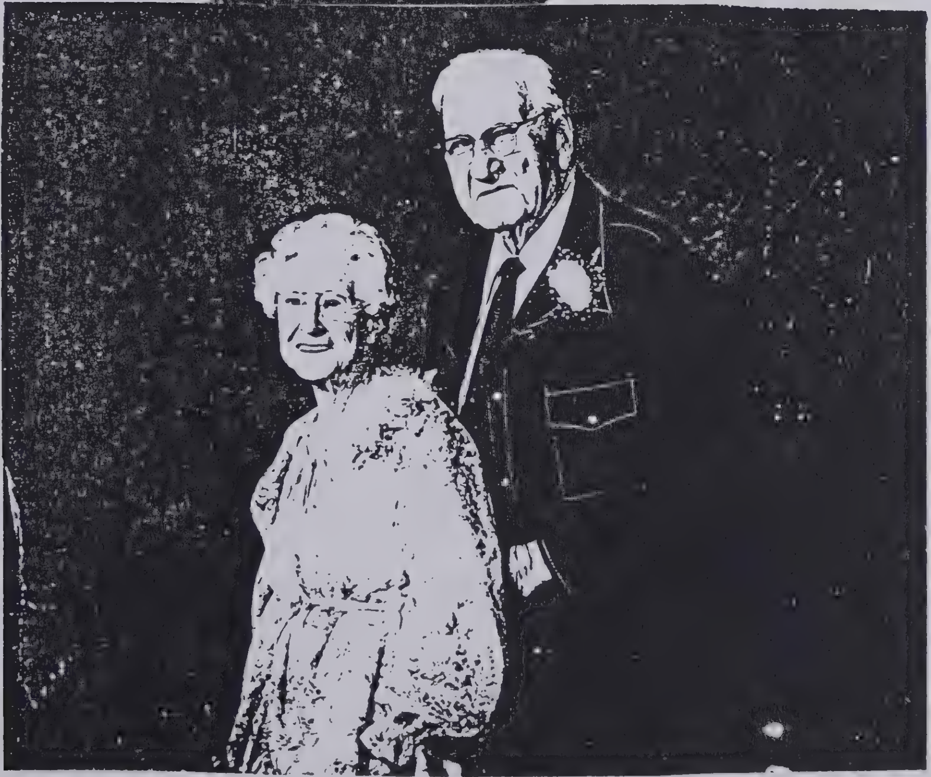
LINNIE FAY ROCKWELL

about 1899 in Homer, Nebraska

CLEVELAND ELDRED "TED" SHOOK
and
LINNIE FAY ROCKWELL

August
1913





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CLEVELAND ELDRED "TED" SHOOK

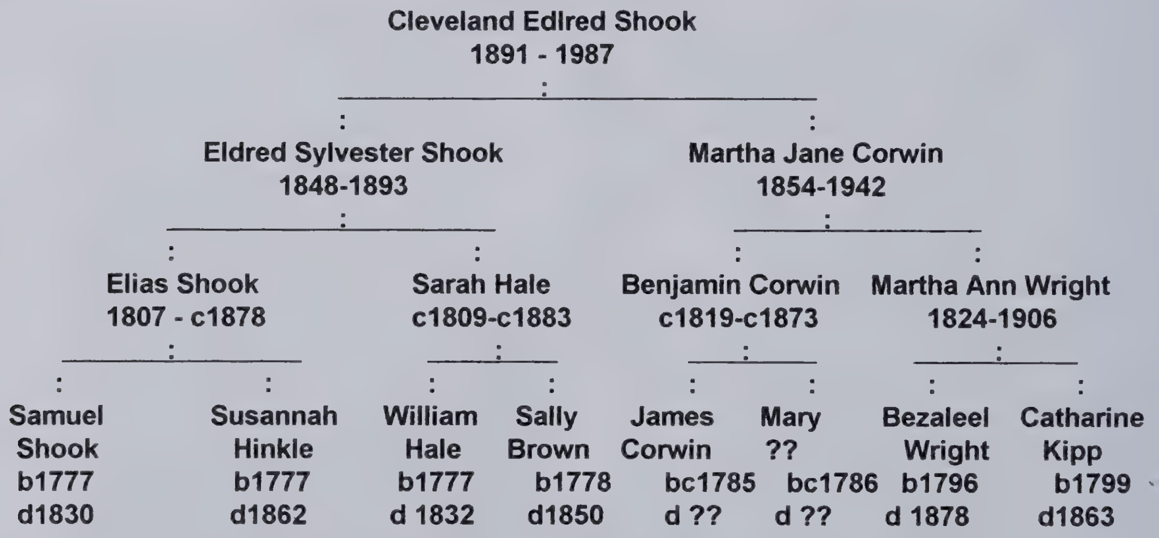
Ted Shook was the third son and the youngest of the six children of Eldred S. Shook and Martha Jane Corwin. He was born on the 20th of February, 1891 on the Shook family farm near Tekamah, Burt County, Nebraska. Ted's father died when Ted was 3 years old, which placed the family in the position where his mother and older brothers and sisters had to work to support the family. Ted's mother remarried, and Ted quit school in the 8th grade at the age of 14 and went to work with his step-father running a freight line in Homer, Nebraska.

Ted married Linnie Rockwell on the 12th of August, 1913, and they lived in town in Homer. Ted was typical of the Shook men: 6'2" tall, big boned, medium build and capable of hard physical labor required of the farmer. They moved to Collins Station, New York in 1916, and later to Eden, New York. Ted farmed with his horse teams, raising truck garden vegetables which they sold in Buffalo, New York, about 20 miles north of Eden. Ted was a law enforcement officer for the last 31 years of his work-life, serving as a Deputy Sheriff for Erie County, and as a policeman and Chief of Police for the Town of Eden. When he retired in December, 1958, he was still no man to trifle with even though he was in his late 60's.

Ted and Linnie went through a few tough years of divorce and separation, but eventually reconciled and remarried. They moved to Mesa, Arizona in 1973 from Lakeland, Florida. Linnie died on 10 February, 1980, and Ted continued to live alone for a few more years, though his physical strength was deteriorating. He lived in a nursing home in Mesa, the last two years of his life, very weak physically, but sharp mentally up to the day he passed on.

Ted died on 4 October, 1987, at the age of 96! He was always a friendly and social man, outgoing and a great story teller. He enjoyed a drink with the "guys", but we never saw him drunk. Always hard-working, he was also an avid hunter and horse lover, running a riding horse stable during the last few years at the farm in Eden. Ted was cremated and his ashes distributed over the mountains east of Mesa with Linnie's.

Ted's family tree, for the last 4 generations, is as shown below: - - -


Cleveland Edlred Shook
1891 - 1987
Eldred Sylvester Shook
1848-1893
Martha Jane Corwin
1854-1942
Elias Shook
1807 - c1878
Sarah Hale
c1809-c1883
Benjamin Corwin
c1819-c1873
Martha Ann Wright
1824-1906
Samuel Shook b1777 d1830
Susannah Hinkle b1777 d1862
William Hale b1777 d 1832
Sally Brown b1778 d1850
James Corwin bc1785 d ??
Mary ?? bc1786 d ??
Bezaleel Wright b1796 d 1878
Catharine Kipp b1799 d1863

Additional lines go back from 1 to 9 more generations.

THE SHOOK FAMILY LINE

The Shook family line may be found in the 261 page booklet The Family Of Cleveland Eldred Shook, 2nd edition, written by Earl Close, and published in January 1996. 63 copies of the booklet were printed and 11 copies were donated to Historical and Genealogical societies in the locale where the various "Shook" related families lived. The remaining 52 copies were distributed among the various family members, many of whom assisted the author in assembling the Shook family data. This booklet represented the results of 39 intermittent years of research by the author, starting back in 1959! It is recommended that if anyone is interested in this book they should contact the author in Tucson, or The Family History Department, Church of Latter Day Saints, 50 East North Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150.

All branches of the Shook family lines were in the Colonies prior to the American Revolution. We have proven that at least 5 direct-line descendants served the American fight for independence. The major family lines are briefly explained as follows:

THE SHOOK FAMILY

The earliest Shook we could identify was Lawrence Shook (b c1733 - d c1820). The Shooks were Pennsylvania Dutch, moving from Pennsylvania to Maryland, to West Virginia, and to Illinois in the Lawrence, and his son, Samuel Shook generations. The next two generations moved up into Wisconsin, and then into Nebraska, where Ted Shook was born.

THE HINKLE - DENTZER - ESCHMANN FAMILY LINE

The 7 generations of Hinkles were originally German Protestant clergymen who settled in Pennsylvania, and later moved to, what is now, West Virginia, where Samuel Shook married Susannah Hinkle in 1798.

THE HALE - GIBSON - GARRETT FAMILY LINE

The 7 generations in these lines came from England around 1645 and settled in the area of what is now Virginia. Several of the lines moved to Tennessee, and then up Illinois and then into "Michigan Territory", now Wisconsin, where Elias Shook married Sarah Hale c1829.

THE CORWIN - WRIGHT - HUSTED FAMILY LINE

Elements of these lines have been traced back 13 generations into the early 1500s in England. They, like the Rockwells, settled in New England in the mid-1600s, and moved generation by generation, westward into New York, and later into Wisconsin in the 1850s. They then moved to Nebraska where Eldred Shook married Martha Jane Corwin in 1873.

THE KIPP - FRYOVER - DuBOIS FAMILY LINE

These lines are all "Holland/Dutch" who settled in, what is now, New York City, and up the Hudson River valley starting around 1640. We can trace some of them back 10 generations from Catharine Kipp who married Bezaleel Wright Jr in 1816 in New York State.

THE FAMILY OF

TED and LINNIE SHOOK
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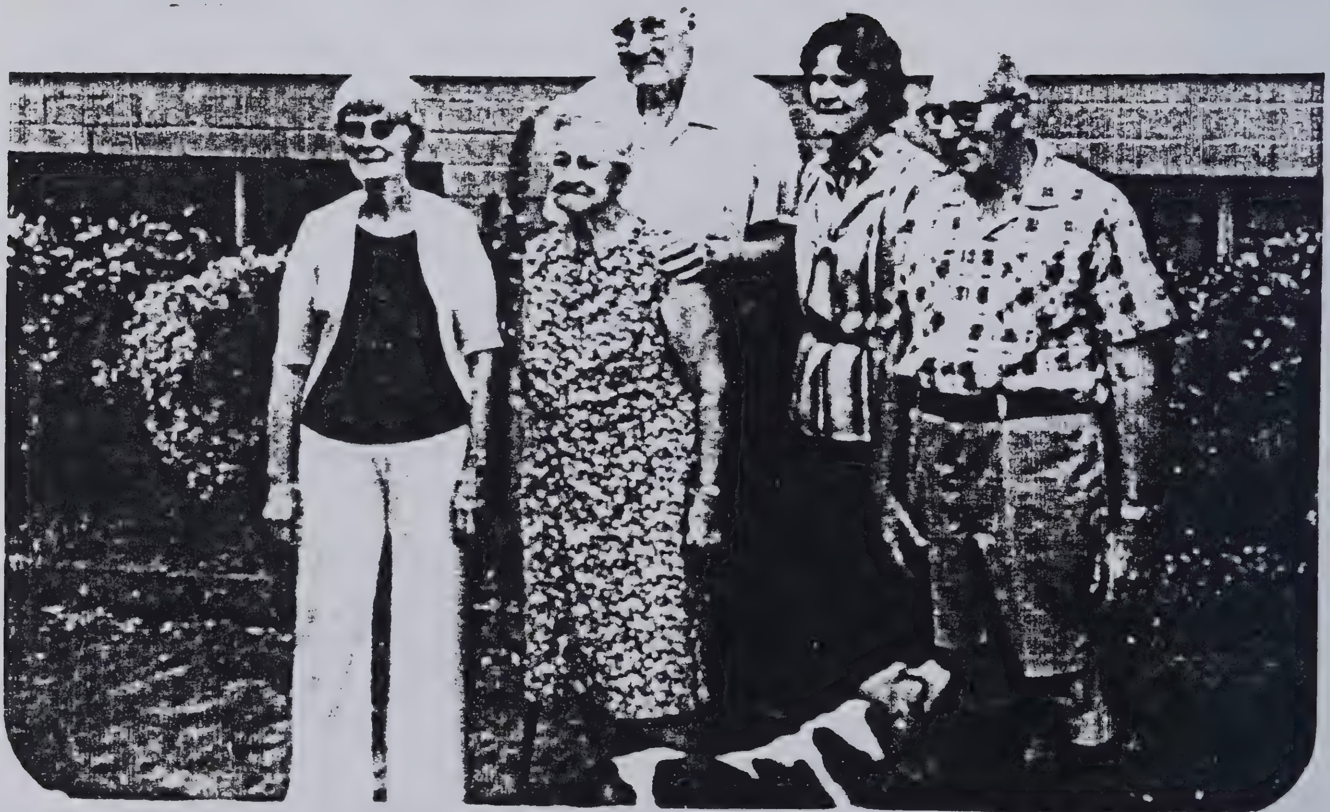

TED AND LINNIE & THEIR THREE CHILDREN

From left to right: Alta Beryl Shook Gier, Linnie Fay Rockwell Shook, Cleveland Eldred Shook, Marjorie Ann Shook Close, and Harold Cleveland Shook.

OUR 13TH, 14TH, & ADDITIONAL ROCKWELL GENERATIONS

THE 3 CHILDREN OF LINNIE FAY ROCKWELL AND "TED" SHOOK

1. THE FAMILY OF HAROLD CLEVELAND SHOOK

Harold was born on 31 May 1914 in Homer, Nebraska. He received his schooling in Eden, NY. and at the Seneca Vocational High School in Buffalo, NY. He married Anna Louise Menge on 6 January 1935 in Buffalo. Anna is the daughter of Fredrick Henry Menge and Charlotte Krumholz and was born 13 Oct 1913. Harold was employed by various manufacturing organizations in Buffalo, primarily as a maintenance technician. He retired from his last employer, The State University of New York at Buffalo in 1979. Harold was an avid hunter, gardener, and a "world class fixer-upper". Harold died 29 August 1993 at their home in the Town of Tonawanda, NY. He is buried in St. John's Cemetery in Cheektowaga, NY.

A. Robert Harold Shook - Born 25 July 1935 in Buffalo, NY. Robert graduated from the University of Buffalo School of Law. He married Doris Joan Brown on 7 March 1964. Joan is the daughter of Harold Kenneth Brown and Doris Elsie Taylor, and was born 1 October 1942 in Buffalo. Robert retired from Ticor Title Guarantee Company on 31 March 1995 after 35 years with that firm and its predecessors. He has been an avid hunter and marksman most of his adult life. They currently live in Lockport, NY

1. John Robert Shook - Born 16 June 1966 in Buffalo, NY. John is a professor of philosophy for the Corning Community College in Corning, NY and holds a PhD from SUNY at Buffalo. John married Karen L. Kazmierczak on 13 August 1994 in Buffalo. Karen works for the Veterans Administration in Bath, NY.

    a. Adrienne Louise Shook - b 9 January, 1997.

2. Michael David Shook - Born 30 November. 1967 in Newfane, NY. Michael attended Fredonia State College, majoring in Drama and theatrical Production. He is a theatrical production technician with a theatrical company and lives in Knoxville, Tennessee.

THE HAROLD CLEVELAND SHOOK FAMILY c1991

Robert Harold John Anna Joan Michael

2. THE FAMILY OF ALTA BERYL SHOOK GIER

Beryl was born 2 February 1916 in Homer, Nebraska, just before her parents moved to New York State. Beryl was active in the school band and graduated from Eden High School. She married Floyd Herbert Gier in Gowanda, NY on 7 May 1933. Floyd was the son of Joseph B. Gier and Helena Grouvenor and was born on 13 September 1907. Floyd was a building contractor in Eden, New York for many years. The family later moved to Lakeland, and Ocala, Florida. Floyd died 19 February 1982 while visiting his son, James Gier, in Apache Junction, Arizona. Beryl has worked many years as an accountant in various organizations in Arizona, and later in Springfield, Illinois, where she currently resides. She retired in May 1994, and is still very active in her church and other social organizations in Springfield. She earned the Sangamon County "Hall of Fame" award along with two other awards for her volunteer work .

A. James Eldred Gier - Born 30 August 1934 in Eden, NY and graduated from Eden Central School. Jim married Joan Louise Stewart at Lakeland, Florida on 24 April 1954. Joan was born 21 Sep 1932, the daughter of Emma Louise Rohlfing (b 21 May 1901) and Charles Manning Stewart (b 4 Oct 1889). Jim made his career in the US Air Force, retiring as a Senior Master Sergeant after serving 25 1/2 years. Jim and Joan were divorced in September 1969. Upon his retirement from the Air Force, Jim married 2nd, Margaret "Marge" Ruth Vogel on 17 January 1970 at Williams AFB in Chandler, Arizona. Jim established his own business as a specialty heating contractor in Pine, Arizona where they currently reside. Marge was born 7 September 1930, and is a skilled crafts lady.

1. James "Jimmy" Fredrick Gier - born 8 May 1955 at McDill AFB, Florida. Married Janet Marsha Adams on 18 Oct 1975. They currently live in Myakka City, Florida.

    a. Candace JoAnne Gier - born 19 May 1988 Sarasota, Florida.

2. Joseph "Joe" Harry Gier - born 18 Oct 1963 at Loring AFB, Maine. Graduated from Salem College in Virginia in 1987 where he played football for 5 seasons and majored in education and communications. Married Gina M. Sutphin, the daughter of Eugene and Katherine Sutphin, on 2 Apr 1988. Joe and Gina operate the Sunset Insurance Agency in Bradenton, Florida.

    a. Dakota Joe Gier - born 20 Nov 1995.
    b. Marshall Joseph Gier - b 19 Jun 1997.

B. Rodney Gier - Born 27 March 1936 in Eden, NY. Married Elizabeth September, 1954. Divorced 1964. Married 2nd Sali Berner in 1964. Divorced April 1985. Married 3rd Vola Brinkley in November 1985. Divorced 4 February 1992. Rodney is an explosive ordnance technician with the "Confederate Air Force" and sets up and operates the explosives for their Air Shows.

1. Karen Elizabeth Gier - born 20 July 1955 in Buffalo, NY.

2. Rodney Gier - born 8 June 1958 in Rockledge, Florida.

3. Travis Gier - born 9 August, 1964 in Cocoa, Florida.

4. Cameron Stuart Gier - born 5 July 1969 in Cape Canaveral, Florida. m Cathy ________.
    a. Aaron Gier - b Aug 1995 in Cocoa, FL..
    b. Joseph Gier - b Feb 1997 in Cocoa, FL.

C. Arthur Gerald Gier - Born 24 October 1937 in Angola, NY. m JoAnn Mole in Dade City, Florida on 11 June 1954. Divorced 7 February 1968. Married 2nd Sylvia Brooks in 1970. Arthur retired from the Lakeland Florida Fire Department after 30 years service in December 1992. They presently live in Lakeland, Florida. They have an adopted daughter, Dottie.

1. Donna Kay Gier - born 8 April 1955 in Lakeland.

2. Floyd Arthur Gier - born 13 September 1958 in Lakeland.

3. Paul Gier - born 23 December 1961 in Lakeland.

4. Theresa Beryl Gier - born 19 July 1963 in Lakeland.

D. Russell Niel Gier - Born 27 June 1939 in Eden, NY. Married Jeannine Yutte Kaiser on 13 February 1960 in Paris, France while serving in the US Air Force. Divorced 29 January 1966 at Zglin AFB, Florida. Married 2nd Velma Dunlap in 1971. Divorced 1977. Married 3rd Shirley Welch in 1979. Divorced in 1984. Remarried Velma Gier in 1991. Russell retired from the US Air Force as a TSgt with 20 years service in 1976. They live in Dover, Delaware.

1. Kathy France Gier - born 30 July 1960 at Cannon AFB, New Mexico. Married Charles Miller in Fort Wayne, IN in 1982.
   a. Neil Miller - born 5 May 1982.

   b. Lauren Miller - born 4 June 1986.

2. Carole Martine Gier - born 24 October 1961 at Cannon AFB, New Mexico. Married 1st James Bettis in 1983. Divorced 1993. Married 2nd Dave Weber on 2 June 1995.

   a. Sarah Bettis - born 24 April 1983.

   b. Justin Bettis - born 9 April 1990.

E. DiAnne Claire Gier - Born 27 November 1949 in Gowanda, NY. m Terry Paul Viar April 1971. Divorced 1984. Married 2nd Richard Beem in 1988. Divorced in September 1991. DiAnne works for a title company in Springfield, Illinois.

1. Denise Michelle Head - born 2 August, 1967 in Jacksonville, Florida. Graduated from Florida State with BS in Social Work. m Harold R. Mardenborough III, a lawyer, on 9 May, 1992 in Tallahassee, Florida.

   a. Jared Mardenborough - b 30 Jan 1995 in Tallahassee, Florida.
   b. Miranda Grace Mardenborough - b 12 Feb 1997 in Tallahassee, Florida.

2. Stephanie DiAnne Viar - born 1 November, 1974 in Paradise Valley, Arizona.

3. Sarah Jane Viar - born 22 July 1980 in Springfield, Illinois.

3. THE FAMILY OF MARJORIE ANN SHOOK CLOSE

Marjorie was born on 16 June 1932 at the family farm on New Jerusalem Road in Eden, NY. She graduated from Eden Central High School as class valedictorian in 1950. Marge earned a AAS Degree in Retailing from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1952. She married Henry Earl Close Jr on 24 April 1954 in Derby, NY. Earl and Marge attended High School together and were High School sweethearts. Marge worked in retailing and as a secretary to a doctor in Buffalo for several years. Earl, the author of this book, was born 25 July 1931 in Buffalo, NY, and is the son of Henry Earl Close Sr and Florance Myrtle Morgan. Earl served 20 years in the Army, enlisted and commissioned, active and reserve. Earl and Marge lived primarily in Derby, NY, with various excursions to Fort Bliss, Texas until 1968 when Earl retired from the Army. They then moved to Tempe, Arizona where Earl worked in the Human Resources Department for the Garrett Corporation. They moved to Tucson, Arizona in 1986 and Earl retired from his 2nd career in 1988. Marge is active in their church as an instructor and chairperson for "Woman's World".

A. Henry Earl "Tad" Close III - Tad was born 9 December 1956 in Buffalo, NY. He was active in athletics in high school and earned a BS degree in Business from Arizona State University and an MS degree from Asbury Theological Seminary in 1983. He met Annette Andersen in Holland while serving with Youth With A Mission. They were married in Givskud, Denmark on 26 May 1984 by Annette's father who is a Baptist Minister. Annette is the daughter of Gunnar and Kirsten Andersen and was born on 2 June 1954 in Arhus, Denmark. They have lived in Sweden, Indianapolis, Tucson, New York, Detroit, and Montreal. Earl is an ordained priest with the Orthodox Church and, on 9 September 1994 was commissioned as a chaplain in the US Air Force assigned to Langley AFB, Virginia. He is presently a Captain stationed at Lackland AFB near San Antonio, Texas.

1. Henrik Earl Close IV - born 27 April 1988 in Halmstead, Sweden.

B. Darcia Linnae Close - Darcy was born 10 March 1958 in Buffalo, NY. She played in her High School band and later graduated with a BS degree in Business from Arizona State University in 1981. Darcy toured with "Up With People" for a year in the US and Canada. She married Michael Eugene Morgan in Tempe, Arizona on 28 July 1978. Mike was born on 15 October 1953 in Iowa City, Iowa and is the son of Frances Jean Taylor and Carrol Raymond Morgan. Darcy is a CPA and is currently a Manager with Allied-Signal Corporation in Tempe, Arizona. Mike was a maintenance technician in the field service department for the Caterpillar Corporation, and currently works in the construction field.. They presently live in Mesa, Arizona.

1. Jinnae BriAnne Morgan - born 7 February 1988 in Mesa, Arizona.

2. Cortney Nicole Morgan - born 25 January 1990 in Mesa, Arizona.

C. Cynthia Ann Close - Cindy was born 7 December 1962 in Buffalo, NY. She was a High School and Jr. College cheerleader and earned a BS degree in Business from Arizona State University in 1986. She married David Reed MacKenzie in Mesa, Arizona on 3 September 1988. Dave, the son of Robert Balfour MacKenzie Jr. and Sharon Myrtle Reed, was born on 8 September 1963 in Whittier, California. Dave is a graduate of the US Air Force Academy in 1987 and is a C-130 pilot. They were stationed in Frankfurt, Germany where Cindy worked as an education counselor and subsequently earned her MPA degree from Troy State University. Upon return to the United States, they lived in Rockledge, FL and Little Rock, AR. They are currently stationed at Moody AFB, GA

1. Kelcie Dianne MacKenzie - born 17 May 1994 in Rockledge, Florida.

2. Scot Reed MacKenzie - born 17 April 1996 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

D. Malinda Catharine Close - Malinda was born 25 April 1965 in Buffalo, NY. She played in the High School Band and earned a BS degree in Health Sciences from Arizona State University in 1989. She married Paul Andrew Smiley on 15 September 1990 in Chandler, Arizona. Paul, born 3 May 1959, is the son of Angela and Glover Smiley. Paul is a career Air Force Officer serving with AWACS. They have been stationed in Anchorage, Alaska, Las Vegas, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, and are currently living in Woodbridge, Virginia, while Paul is assigned to the Pentagon in Washington, DC. Malinda has worked as a supervisor in health clubs coordinating fitness programs, and is currently completing her BS Degree in Nursing.

1. Rachel Marie Smiley - born 8 February 1994 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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APPENDIX A

MEMORIES FROM THE PAST FROM NELLIE IREN WILSON

Nellie and her family may be found on page 112. Nellie and I corresponded back and forth from 1977 until just before she passed in 1996. Nellie was born May 5th, 1903. The following are bits and pieces from her many well written letters over the years where she recalled events from her past. I include this to give a glimpse into a typical family in the early 1900's:- a first car, TB, WW I, family farming, cross country travel, etc. The following are direct quotes from her letters, re-arranged into chronological order, with my explanations or references in ( ) marks.

"What I saw (first edition of The Family of Linnie Fay Rockwell) brought back many fond memories of my early childhood in Homer. Especially the many Sunday afternoon visits at **Uncle Hand and Aunt Milinda's home** (pages 123-134) and the Picknicks every August at Uncle Louie and Aunt Betty Rockwell's farm. **Uncle Hand's** first car which I think was either the first or second in Homer. I was very young then but I have vivid memories of those days. Names and faces of those long ago times, almost forgotten were brought to mind."

"Dad and Mamma returned to Homer (from Seattle) when I was about 1 year old (about 1904) and settled on Manna's mother's farm south of Homer. I started my school life at the old Comb's school house where Mamma and her brothers and sisters had gone to school. I believe it was 1909 that Dad bought the hotel in Homer from his cousin Ephrium, or Eff as he was known, Rockwell (pg 99 B.). Lloyd (Nellie's brother) and I then went to the Homer School. Dad had put his own electric plant in the hotel. We had the first electricity in Homer. Just before he took ill he had bought a new 1914 Maxwell car. The fact it had only been driven a time or two. We often laughed at him in later years as he was never going to drive faster than 15 miles an hour."

"In 1914, in the late summer Dad hemmoraged and Dr. Nina Smith diagnosed his trouble as an advance case of tubercolusas or TB as we now know it and advised his leaving as soon as possible to a dryer climate. Of course in those days Denver was the only place to go. Anyway he sold the hotel and went to Colorado. On the First of October 1914 Dad, Mamma, myself , my pet dog and a hired driver who was the garageman in Homer, his first name was Martin, and the old Bluebook of highways on my lap, started for Colorado. Neither roads, maps or accomodations as you well know were what they are today. It took us some two weeks to get to Denver, a trip we now make easily in a day and a half. It was my job to read the Bluebook and keep Martin on the right road. Some trip!"

"It was too high there (in Denver) for Mamma and so we had to drop to a lower climate. So in the fall of 1916 they sold the place at Windsor and bought another farm just out of Fort Morgan Colo. That proved to be our established home. Lloyd my other brother had joined us. He and George did all the farming as Dad was still not able to do any of the heavy work. When the war broke out, (World War I, 1917) Lloyd was drafted in one of the first drafts. George not being married he felt he would also be called even though he was much needed on the farm, so Dad decided to sell the farm and move to town. But there was such a cry for farm products he bought another farm. Not long after Geroge was settled on that farm he was drafted. Those were the days. We all worked from dawn to dark. No help was available but high school youngsters like myself and all those who knew anything about farming were on their own folks farms and the few town kids that were available wern't much help though they tried."

"As you already know both the boys died overseas (Lloyd & George). One never knowing that the other was gone. Lloyd died in a field hospital and George died at the base hospital at Brest France."

"We left Homer when I was about 11 years old - - - after that time we only made occassional trips back to Nebr. I went back and took Mamma back several years, but by that time most of the Rockwells had scattered." **Thankyou Nellie for making your recollections a matter of record!**

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APPENDIX B

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES ON EARLY "BARNHARTS"

The following notes on various early Barnhart families were accumulated over the years. The source of each note is shown in ( ). They are included here to assist any furthur research on the Barnhart line.

1. Anthony Barnhart was born in Frederick Co., MD and had a son, Jacob Barnhart b cOct 1755 in MD and d 3 May 1837 in Preble Co, OH, i Saylor Cemetery. Jacob's wife was Sarah who d 17 Apr 1837. Jacob and Sarah had a daughter, Sarah M. Barnhart (b 10 May 1792 PA - d 26 Dec 1845 OH) who m David L Garver on 20 Feb 1816 in Wayne Co., OH. (1995 - Diane S. Natt, 19 View Ridge Circle, Longview, WA 98632-5555)

2. In 1794 Rudolph Barnhart went to Butler Co., PA and a year later (1795), was joined by Jacob Barnhart Sr and Jacob Barnhart Jr and settled in Donegal and Fairview Townships on and around the site of Millerstown. Jacob Sr, Rudolph, Philip, and Jacob Barnhart are shown in the Tax lists of 1803 with Jacob Sr owning 400 acres and each of the others with 200 acres. ((History of Butler County PA, pg 46 and 47)

3. Conrad Barnhart arrived in Philadelphia on 15 Aug 1774 aboard the Snow Sally at age 24 from the Palatinate. He married Barbara GeFellerd c 1790. Their children: Adam b 1785, m Eliz Broyles to MO; Barbara m Adam Harmon: John; Andrew; Conrad Jr m Polly Williamson to MO;Margaret b c1797 m Peter Snapp to TN: Sarah m Ezekiel Fox to Tn; Jacob m Martha Shirley to TN; Abraham b c1800 m Mary White to MO; Mathias H. b 1811 m Eliz Seaton to MO. Henry m Delilah Rowan TN. Ernest F. b 1806 m Margaret Bird to MO. Mary b 1801 m Philip Seaton to MO; Susanna b 1811 m Moses Anderson Seaton to MO; Elizabeth m ______ Baweny; Catherine b 1809 m Isaac Babb to TN. (1994 -Betty Bonawitz, 126 E South St, Groton, NY 13073)

4. Peter Barnhart b 1751 in Germany, came to the US about 1770, m Molly Boyer 1775 in PA. Served in the American Revolution. Moved to Chautauqua Co, NY c 1800 and d there 1835. (1994 - Ella I. Pool, 14820 Bothell Way NE, Seattle WA 98155-7611

5. The following are from the computer files of the LDS Church:

a. Jacob Barnhart b 4 Jul 1769 in Ulster,NY, and Henry Barnhart b 27 Feb 1778, the sons of Georg Bernhardt and Catharine Sharpston.
b. Peter Barnhart b c1786 in Hempfield, Westmoreland, PA, the son of Jacob Barnhart and Catherine Erdman.
c. Peter Barnhart b 23 Jun 1887 Somerset PA, the son of Peter Barnhart and Molly Boyer (see #4 above)
d. Henry Barnhart b 31 Jul 1791 Somerset PA, the son of Peter Barnhart and Molly Boyer. m 15 May 1816 Dewittville NY to Nancy Potter Higgins. d 5 May 1877. Their son, Henry Washington Barnhart b 3 Feb 1829 m Elizabeth Ann Jones.
e. Peter Barnhard b 23 Jun 1789 in Quemahoning Twp, Somerset, PA. son of Jacob Barnhard and Anna Maria ______.
f. John Adam Barnhart , c1722, m Christiana, d c1781 East Pennsboro Twp, PA.. Their son, Peter Barnhart b c1754, m Anna Maria Cunkle, d Feb 1814 Amberson Valley, Franklin Co PA. and had 8 children: John b1778, Frederick b c1780, Daniel b c1782, Peter bap 7 Aug 1783 Salem Lutheran Ch Pleasant Hall, Franklin PA, Catharine b c1786, Anna b 27 Apr 1791, and Johann George bap 9 Mar 1797.
g. David Barnhart b c1783, m Mary Coker. Their son, Michael b 11 Mar 1809 Quemahoning Twp, Somerset Co., PA, m Elizabeth Sell (b 2 Apr 1813 - d 2 Apr 1878), d 7 Dec 1889.
h. John Bernhardt bc1753 in New York. Children: Charity b c1779; Margaret b c1781; Anne b c1783; George b c1785; Peter b c1787; Elizabeth b c1789; Jacob b c1791.
i. Peter Barnhart of Hempfield, Westmoreland Co., PA was the son of Jacob Barnhart and Catherine Erdman.

6. Henrich (Henry) Bernhart, b c1763, d 1831 Leitersburg, MD, i George Eshleman farm, Leitersburg. m Ann Catharine Beck (d 10 Oçt 1817) on 26 Jun 1777 in Lancaster First Reformed Church, PA. Henrich purchased land 11 Jan 1817 from Andrew Leiter in Leitersburg, MD and on 13 May 1818 he purchased another lot. No Will, but letters of Administration were granted to George Barnhart 24 Feb 1832. Children: Jacob b 3 Apr 1794 Lancaster Co PA d 10 Mar 1797; Infant b 2 Apr 1798, d 3 Apr 1798; Infant b & d 2 Oct 1800; George b 2 Oct 1800, bap 27 Mar 1801 Sior Reformed Church, Hagerstown, MD. m Elizabeth Beaver c1820. d 5 Apr 1862; Elizabetha b 2 Mar 1802, d 22 Feb 1865; Catharine b 5 Jun 1803, m Daniel Sweitzer, d 1875; Henry W. b 15 Jan 1806 Leitersburg, m Ann Elizabeth Baker c182, d 29 Aug 1886 State Line, PA. (1994 - Joseph Barnhart, 640 E. Baltimore St, Greencastle, Pa 17225)

7. Benjamin Barnhart m Rachael Wood the daughter of Joseph and Catharine Wood on 3 Apr 1773. (Earliest Records of All Saints' Parish, Frederick, MD 1727-1781)

8. There are NO Barnharts in the 1790 Census of Washington Co., MD or Lancaster Co., PA.

9. Sarah Barnhart b 10 May 1792 in PA, m David Garver 20 Feb 1816 in Pa, to Conway, Wayne Co OH in 1817. (1993 - Peggy Price, 1007 Butler Rd, Bonneau Beach SC 29431)

10. John Barnhart b c1801 PA, m Barbary Switzer (1806-1869), d 1875. Lived in Liberty Twp, Fairfield Co, OH in 1830-1840. (1994 - Joyce Marot, 56 Bishop Ave, Coldwater, MI 49036)

11. Casper Bernhardt, b Germany, m Wilhelm, arrived in US 10 Nov 1764 aboard the ship "Boston" at Philadelphia. Their son, Jacob Bernhardt (Barnhart) b c1745 Germany, m Anna Maria Miller c1774 in Somerset Co PA, d prior 1826 in OH. Their Children: Jacob Jr b 29 Jan 1771, d prior to 27 Jun 1826; Peter b 25 Sep 1772, m Marie Elizabeth Zimmerman 9 Sep 1795, d 3 Feb 1845 Fairfield Co, OH; John b 20 Dec 1774, d 22 May 1862; Henry b 8 Nov 1776; Daniel b 27 Sep 1778; Martin b 28 Oct 1780, d after 1825; Susannah b 26 Jul 1782; David b 2 May 1784, m Elizabeth Cole 20 Dec 1807 Fairfield Co, OH, d 19 Aug 1822; Hannah b 19 Apr 1786; Simon b 23 Mar 1788, m Sally Cole on 5 Jan 1808, d 2 Jul 1872; Margaret m 17 Feb 1804 Jesse Spurgeon. All these children baptized in the Lutheran Church at Straystown in Quemahoning Twp., Somerset Co, Pa on 11 Jan 1790. (1994 - Tim Mattingly, 3602 Columbus Ave, Anderson, IN 46013)

12. J. Peter Barnhart b 11 Oct 1794 in NY, m Elizabeth Fridingburgh (b 20 Jan 1796 in NY State. Peter had a brother, Cornelius Barnhart who shows in the 1790 NY Census. They had 10 children b 1814 -1837. (1994 - Lois Barnhart, 2509 Maple Dr, Garland, TX 75042)

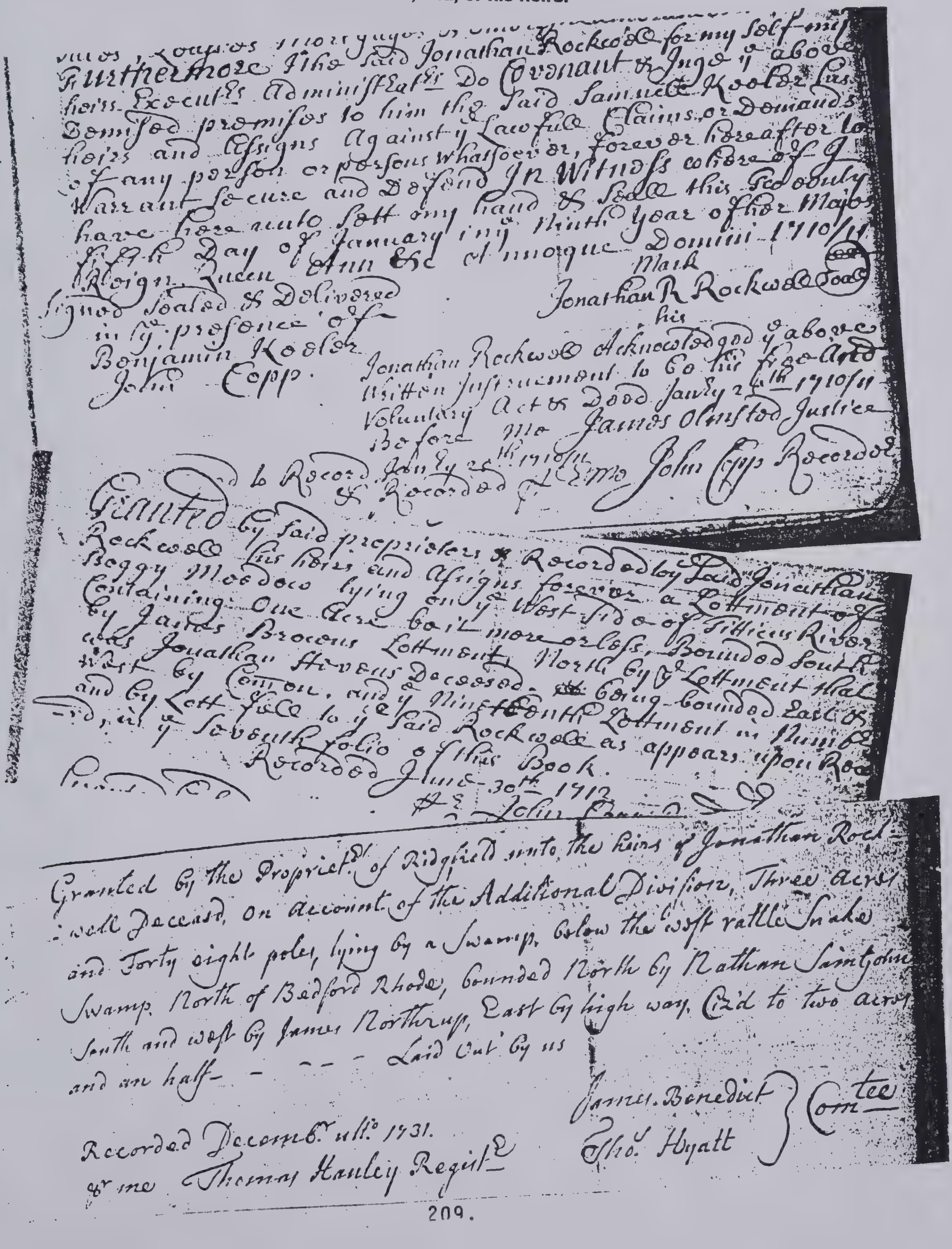
13. Michael Barnhart b 8 May 1786 in Columbia Co., PA, m Catherina Bob 2 Jul 1816 in Carlisle,PA. Children: John B b 5 Oct 1817; Michael m Harriet Bobe; William m Elizabeth Bobe; Rue Ehema; Andrew J m Samantha Martha Cozens; Martin b1834 in OH - all the other children b in PA. (1994 - James Adams, 4025 Paunack Ave, Madison, WI 53711)

14. Daniel Barnhart b 1755 - d 1805. 6 children b in PA: -- 2 names unknown, David, Abraham b1795 m Elizabeth Neff, Susannah, and John Barnhart m Rebecca Long in Lebanon Co, PA. Owned the first Inn in Harrisburg. They had 5 children: John Jr, Samuel, Nancy (all of whom moved to OH in the early 1800s), Henry b & d in Harrisburg m _____Eshenour, & Fannie (1817-1903) m Benjamin Howard (1815-1878) 6 children, all who lived and died in Palmyra, PA.

15. George Barnhart Sr b c1748, arrived in Philadelphia, PA in 1767. Lived in Reading, PA 1 year, then to Washington Co., MD where he served in the Militia during the Revolution in 1777, then to Stony Creek, VA about 1778. m Catherine Myers (b c1756 - d 6 Mar 1826). George d 21 Apr 1832. 4 Children: Sallie (b 1776 - d 1790), George Jr (b3 Feb 1778 - d 20 Feb 1857) m Polly Barnett (b 28 Jul 1785 - d 9 Mar 1859) on 27 Jan 1807, Susie (b c1779 - d ??) m John Patrick Cullen on 3 Mar 1814, and Catherine (b 26 Apr 1797 - d 25 Mar 1865) m William Foster Cullen on 7 Nov 1816.
(Barnhart Family History, Augusta Co., VA 1767-1967, by Nat. G. Barnhart)

APPENDIX C
RIDGEFIELD LAND RECORDS FOR JONATHAN ROCKWELL

A few of the many land transactions from the Ridgefield Book of Deeds that mention Jonathan Rockwell, and, or his heirs.



[illegible] Leases Mortgages or [illegible]
Furthermore I the said Jonathan Rockwell for my self my
heirs Executrs Administratr Do Covenant & Ingage ye above
Demised premises to him the said Samuell Keeler his
heirs and Assigns against ye Lawfull Claims or Demands
of any person or persons whatsoever, forever hereafter to
Warrant Secure and Defend In Witness whereof I
have here unto sett my hand & Seal this Twenty
fifth Day of January in ye Ninth year of her Majes
Reign Queen Ann &c Annoque Domini 1710/11

Mark
Jonathan R Rockwell Seal
his

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in ye presence of
Benjamin Keeler
John Copp

Jonathan Rockwell Acknowledged ye above
Written Instrument to be his free and
Voluntary Act & Deed Janry 2[illegible]th 1710/11
Before me James Olmsted Justice

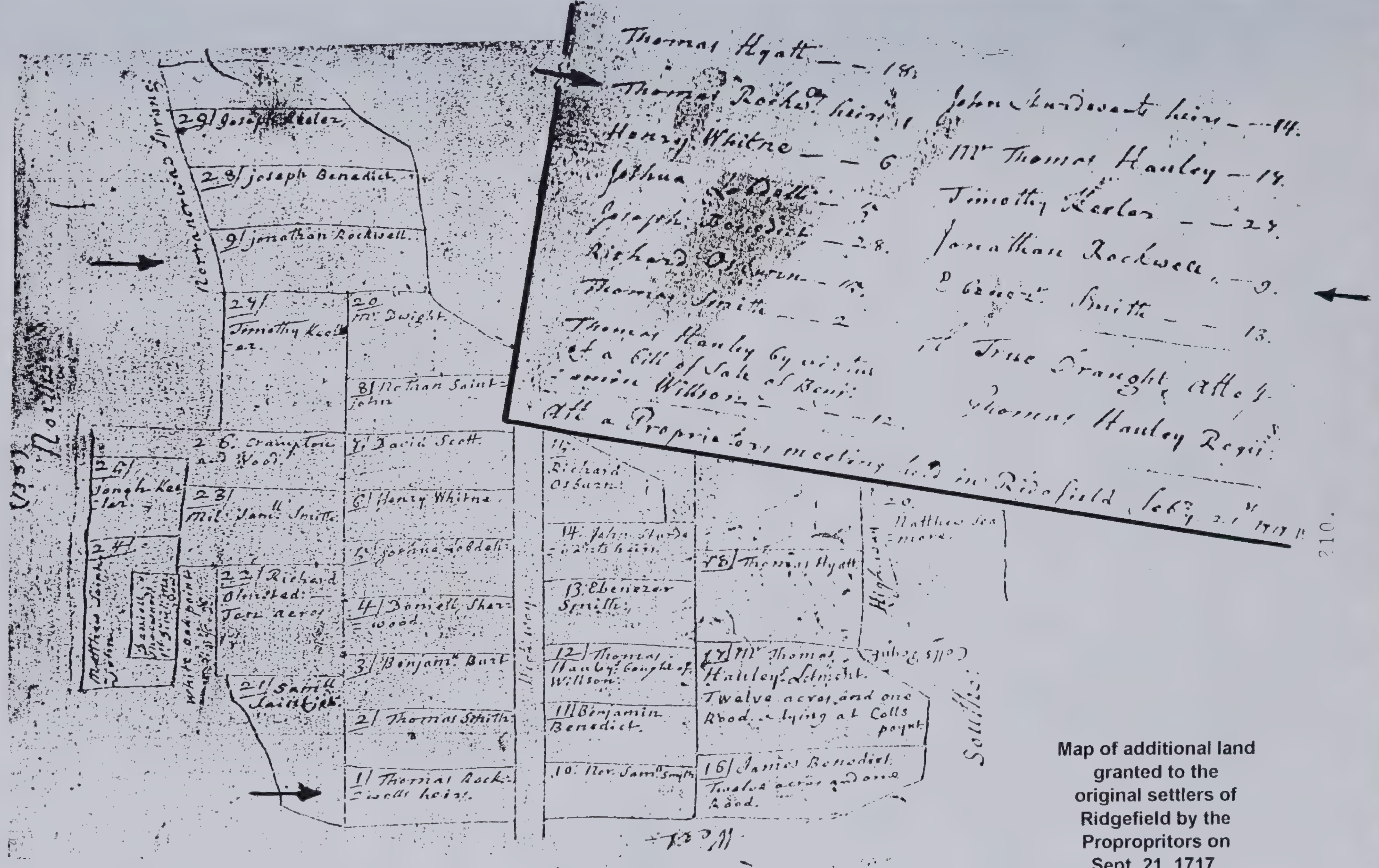
[illegible]d to Record Janry 2[illegible]th 1710/11
& Recorded pr me John Copp Recorder

Granted by said proprietors & Recorded to said Jonathan
Rockwell his heirs and Assigns forever a Lottment of
Boggy Meadow lying on ye West side of Titticus River
Containing One Acre be it more or less, Bounded South
by James Browns Lottment, North by ye Lottment that
was Jonathan Stevens Deceased, being bounded East &
West by Common, and ye Nineteenth Lottment in Numb
and by Lott fell to ye said Rockwell as appears upon Rec
[illegible] in ye Seventh folio of this Book.
Recorded June 30th 1712
pr John [illegible]

Granted by the Propriet.rs of Ridgfield unto the heirs of Jonathan Rock-
well Deceasd, On Account of the Additional Division, Three acres
and Forty eight poles, lying by a Swamp, below the west rattle Snake
Swamp, North of Bedford Rhode, bounded North by Nathan Saintjohn
South and west by James Northrup, East by high way. Exc'd to two acres
and an half- - - - - Laid Out by us

James Benedict } Comtee
Thos Hyatt

Recorded Decembr ulto 1731.
pr me Thomas Hanley Regist r


North
West
South
Northerwood Spring
White oak point
Highway
Colls Poynt
29 Joseph Keeler
28 Joseph Benedict
9 Jonathan Rockwell
24 Timothy Keeler
20 Mr Dwight
8 Nathan Saint John
26 Crampton and Wood
7 David Scott
25 Joseph Keeler
23 Mil: Saml Smith
6 Henry Whitne
24 Matthew Saint John
22 Richard Olmsted: Ten acres
5 Joshua Lobdell
4 Daniell Sherwood
3 Benjamin Burt
21 Saml Saintjohn
2 Thomas Smith
1 Thomas Rockwell heirs
15 Richard Osburn
14 John Sturdevants heirs
13 Ebenezer Smith
12 Thomas Hanley bought of Willson
11 Benjamin Benedict
10 Rev Saml Smith
20 Matthew Seamore
18 Thomas Hyatt
17 Mr Thomas Hanley: Twelve acres and one Rood lying at Colls poynt
16 James Benedict Twelve acres and one Rood
210.

Thomas Hyatt — — 18.
Thomas Rockwel heirs 1
Henry Whitne — — 6
Joshua Lobdell — 5
Joseph Benedict — 28.
Richard Osburn — 15.
Thomas Smith — — 2
Thomas Hanley by vertue of a bill of Sale of Benjamin Willson — — 12.

John Sturdevant heirs — 14.
Mr Thomas Hanley — 17.
Timothy Keeler — — 24.
Jonathan Rockwell — 9.
Ebenezer Smith — — 13.

A True Draught, Attest
Thomas Hanley Regisr

Att a Proprietors meeting held in Ridgefield Feby 21st 1717.

A Mapp of ye Great Swamp: Drawn by me
Thomas Hanley Regisr

Map of additional land granted to the original settlers of Ridgefield by the Propropritors on Sept. 21, 1717.

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